# Mentor United Methodist Church



October 24, 2021 9 AM and 11 AM Traditional Service Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

### **GATHERING**

**Prelude** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Amy Bender, organist

Max Drischer

#### Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?

People: If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.

Leader: If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

People: Even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.

Leader: If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me

become night,

People: Even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is

as light to you.

(courtesy of The Caring Congregation, LLC)

Opening Prayer

Lord of Hope and Peace, we have come this day asking for your mercy. Grant us your pardon. We have come this day seeking peace in our lives; grant us peace. Teach us how to be compassionate disciples for you. For we ask this in Christ's name. Amen. (courtesy of Ministry Matters)

\* Hymn 733

"Marching to Zion"

## **Mission Moment**

9:00 Johanna Martin and Karlene Bonnay 11:00 Andy and Diane Champa

# Commissioning of Caring Servants (11:00)

Dear friends, you have been called and chosen by God, as well as Mentor UMC, to focus on this congregation's commitment to a ministry of compassionate care. This ministry is a blessing that recognizes your special gifts and calls you to serve among your family of faith. In love, we thank you for accepting this role and promise to support your ministry of care.

<sup>\*</sup> Congregation invited to stand if able.

Do you this day acknowledge yourself a disciple of Jesus Christ?

Caring Servants: I do.

Leader: Will you devote yourself to the service of God in the world?

Caring Servants: I will.

Leader: Will you so live that you enable your church to witness to the love of Christ?

Caring Servants: I will.

Leader: Will you do all in your power to be responsible to the task for which you have been

chosen?

Caring Servants: I will.

Congregation: We recognize you as ambassadors of this congregation as Caring Servants in the ministry of visitation to the people of this church and, through our prayers, will be united with you in your work. May God richly bless your service and ministry.

Anthem	(9:00)	"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" Charter Members Men's Choir	arr. Jack Schrader
	(11:00)	"When Memory Fades" Choral Se Chancel Choir	etting by Lloyd Larson

# Time of Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (sung)
Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth,
As it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation;
But deliver us from evil:
for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.

#### **Announcements**

Offertory	(9:00)	"Our Father"	Craig Courtney
	(11:00)	"We Are Called"	Choral Setting by Mark Hayes

<sup>\*</sup> Doxology UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\* Prayer of Dedication

\* Hymn of Preparation 599 "Break thou the Bread of Life"

**Scripture** Luke 11:3, Matthew 6:25-33

**Sermon** Pray What? Rev. Barbara Holzhauser

Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread

\* **Hymn 128** "He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought"

\* Benediction

\* Benediction Sung Response "Go Now in Peace"

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen.

\* Postlude "Postludium" Gordon Young

Altar flowers are presented by Linda Brown in honor of granddaughter Autumn Marie's 18th birthday.

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