

The liturgical color is green for the 10th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Walther
Amy Bender, organ

WELCOME Ben Chiappone, liturgist

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
This is the day that the Lord has made!
We will rejoice and be glad in it!
God has brought us together this day for worship!
Let our rejoicing and gladness flow freely as we worship together!
All are welcome to this place, each is a part of the Body of Christ!
Here, we are all equal in the eyes of God, all are God’s children!
All that separates us melts away at the foot of the cross and sometimes that makes us uncomfortable.
Even thinking about discomfort is uncomfortable Lord! So, take our discomfort and use it for our growth and unity for your kingdom!

***OPENING HYMN** "Christ Is Alive" UMH 318

OPENING PRAYER
Lord, our very presence here is a testimony of our faith. We believe in your Good News. We believe in your promise. We have each experienced your faithfulness, your love, your grace. You comfort us in our pain and at the same time call us out of our comfort zone to share your Good News, your love, and your grace with others. Awaken us to our judgements and implicit biases. Create in us a new heart, O Lord. Open our hearts through worship to truly see your beauty and salvation in every person.

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC "Speak, O Lord" arr. Lloyd Larson
Adrienne Larkin, soloist

SCRIPTURE Luke 14:12-14, p. 739

Children are invited to stay in worship or meet in the Narthex to go to Sunday School

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK THROUGH CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

**Congregation invited to stand if able*

THE LORD'S PRAYER
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.

FAITH IN ACTION

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Down to the River to Pray / Lord, Listen to Your Children" arr. Mary McDonald

***DOXOLOGY #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! Alleluia!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN OF CENTERING** "Jesu, Jesu" UMH 432

SCRIPTURE James 2:1-9, p. 854

MESSAGE "Jesus Revolution I: Growth in Discomfort"
Rev. Steve Stultz Costello

HYMN OF MISSION "Forth In Thy Name" UMH 438
Hymn History: The music to this hymn was written by John Hatton. Little is known about his early life but he was born circa 1710 in Warrington, Lancashire, England. The music he composed in entitled Duke Street. The music’s name comes from the street where Hatton lived, Duke Street in St. Helens, Lancashire, England. Hatton was baptized a Presbyterian. Hatton died when he was thrown from a stagecoach in St. Helens in 1793. The tune Duke Street has been used in several other hymns. Hymn 101, From All That Dwell Below the Skies; Hymn 157, Jesus Shall Reign and the Psalm 29 on page 761 also use Duke Street. The hymn we are singing today uses words of Charles Wesley. Wesley’s words describe being a faithful child of God even while doing one’s daily tasks.

***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. Amen.

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POSTLUDE

"Sing to the Lord a New and Glorious Song" Smith

*Call to Worship and Opening Prayer and Prayer of Dedication
were written by Rev. Steve Stultz Costello*

Altar Flowers are presented by Chris Fletcher
In Celebration of Georgeanna Allen's 94th Birthday

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July 28, 2024

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