

The liturgical color is green for
Third Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE "Fugue in C" G.F. Handel

WELCOME Paul Montgomery, liturgist

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: We come to worship this morning from different places.

Many: O God, do not be far from us.

One: We come to worship this morning for different reasons.

Many: O God, do not be far from us.

One: We experience the presence of the Spirit in different ways.

Many: O God, do not be far from us.

One: We hear Jesus' words with different ears.

Many: O God, do not be far from us.

One: "Deny yourselves."

Many: O God, do not be far from us.

One: "Take up your cross."

Many: O God, do not be far from us.

One: "Follow me."

All: O God, we thank you for drawing near to us in this place, in our lives. Amen.

Written by Joanna Harader spaciousfaith.com

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty and Gracious God, we gather today with thankful hearts for this day as Your people who are here to worship You. We are called to be strong and courageous, not to be afraid or discouraged, because You are with us wherever we go. We ask for Your Holy Spirit to fill us as we worship together. Help us to set aside any fear or anxiety, and to focus our hearts and minds on You. Be with us throughout this service, guiding our thoughts, words, and actions. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

GET OUT DOORS (G.O.D.) CAMP SHARING

Children invited to stay with families or to go to Sunday School at this time

SCRIPTURE Joshua 1:7-9, p. 151

RENEWAL LEAVE PRAYER

People: On the seventh day of creation, God took a step back from all that hard, holy work and rested.

Pastor Steve: That rejuvenation, just like all of creation, was very good.

** Congregation invited to stand if able*

People: And so it was that God wove the design for replenishment into the fabric of creation itself.

Pastor Steve: All of us, made in God's very image, are intended to take time away for renewal.

People: We celebrate today that our pastor is taking a season for purposeful rest.

Pastor Steve: I love you all, and I love being your pastor.

People: We love you, and we are grateful for your leadership and care and for the chance to be in ministry with you.

Pastor Steve: This time away will help me be the best possible pastor for you. It will permit me to tend more fully to my body, mind, and spirit so that I can help you do the same.

People: This time away will help us be the best possible partners for you. It will call upon us to step into gaps caused by your absence and allow us to own even more our gifts for leadership.

Pastor Steve: Thank you for this opportunity to take renewal leave. I bless you during this season when we are apart, yet always together as parts of Christ's body.

People: Thank you for modeling sabbath for us in the midst of a world that too often prioritizes productivity. We bless you during this season when we are apart, yet always together as parts of Christ's body.

All: At the end of this renewal leave, may we look back and know, as people created by God and continually re-created by rest, that it was very good for us all.

Written by Laura Stephens-Reed, May 23, 2023 www.laurastephensreed.com

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK THROUGH CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

MENTOR IN MINISTRY

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "When Morning Gilds the Skies" arr. J. B. Taylor

***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 "Be Thou My Vision" UMH 451

SCRIPTURES Acts 18:1-11, p. 786

MESSAGE "Road Trip: On the Go with Paul"
Rev. Tammy Palermo

HYMN OF MISSION "Pass It On" UMH 527

*BENEDICTION

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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 "Psalm XIX" Marcello

Altar Flowers are presented by Norm Brobst
In Loving Memory of Natalie, Wife

Pulpit Flowers are presented by Vicki Gurich
In Honor of Bob & Sandy Linsell's 68th Wedding Anniversary
from your Children, Grandchildren, and Great Grandchildren


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