

The liturgical color is green the nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

"Prelude and Fugue in C"
Amy Bender, organist

J. S. Bach

WELCOME

Willie Dycks, liturgist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Today we offer our thanksgiving and gratitude to the Giver of all good and perfect gifts.
C: With gratitude, we praise you, Lord.
L: God, we embrace your continual supply of love in our lives.
C: With appreciation, we praise you, Lord.
L: We will adjust our attitude to match the truth of your promises.
C: With thankfulness, we praise you, Lord.
L: O God, today is a day of thanksgiving, a day to remember the gift of your Son.
C: With recognition, we praise you, Lord for you alone are worthy of our gratitude.
A: Praise be to God!

*OPENING HYMN

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"
Hymn History: The music to this hymn was written by Robert Kreutz. He was born in Lacrosse, Wisconsin in 1922. He graduated from the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago in 1949. Among the people he studied under was the famous composer Arnold Schoenberg. Kreutz wrote over three hundred compositions, including an opera, Francesco which premiered in Chicago in 1987. This particular hymn, with words by Omar Westendorf, was written for the International Eucharistic Congress of the Roman Catholic Church in Philadelphia in 1976. Kreutz was the choir director at St. Bernadette church in Lakewood, Colorado for over thirty years. He and his wife, Evelyn, had nine children. Kreutz died in Denver, Colorado in 1996.

UMH 629

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious Creator, you have given us so much, but too often we take those gifts for granted, or as something to which we are entitled. You call us to live in caring community, but too often we place our wants and needs first. You call us to share Your gifts with the world around us, but we worry in fear of scarcity. However God, we are reminded that you remain faithful inspite of the current state of affairs. In all, we can rely on the power of your Holy Word! We are a forgiven people! Thanks be to God! Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Luke 16:9 NIV, p. 741

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

* Congregation invited to stand if able

ANTHEM	"O Sing to the Lord a New Song!" Chancel Choir; Bonnie Budziak, accompanist	Lloyd Larson
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	"The Meditations of My Heart"	Elaine Hagenberg
*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	Almighty God, we thank You for every blessing You have given us. As we present our tithes and offerings, we do so with a satisfied heart. As you grant blessings upon blessings, we in turn respond with faithfulness. Accept our obedience. In Jesus' holy name we pray, Amen.	
HYMN OF CENTERING	"And Can It Be That I Should Gain"	UMH 363
SCRIPTURE	Colossians 3:17 NIV, p. 834	
MESSAGE	"The Lost Art of Gratitude: Save All You Can" Rev. Dr. Ivy Smith	
*HYMN OF MISSION	"Blessed Assurance"	UMH 369

*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 "Praise and Thanksgiving" G. F. Handel

Altar Flowers are presented by Wendy Phillis
In Loving Memory of Larry E. Phillis,
Husband, Father, and Grandfather

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UPCOMING

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METHODIST CHURCH

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- 10 AM & 12 PM Fellowship Hour
- 10:30 AM Communion
- Martin Journey Group
- Children Sunday School
- Youth Sunday School
- Christmas Play Rehearsal
- Confirmation Kickoff

Monday, October 20

- Parents' Morning Out
- Carr Journey Groups
- Pickleball, 5 PM
- Evening of Prayer, 6 PM
- Admin Council, 6:30 PM

Tuesday, October 21

- Ring Journey Group
- Young Adult Group
- Young Families Journey Group
- Disciple III
- SPRC meeting

Wednesday, October 22

- Knitting Group
- *Strengthsfinder* Group
- Gaming Group

Thursday, October 23

- Preschool Open House
- Disciple I
- Canticle Bells
- Charter Members Men's Choir
- Chancel Choir
- GEM Meeting

Friday, October 24

- MOMCo
- Riverside Football Game

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New visitors and friends are welcome to join us on Saturday, October 25th from 1:00 to 3:30 PM in Asbury Room. This is a great class for those who wish to learn more about MUMC and membership. RSVP online or talk to a pastor.

Gingerbread Craft Show Volunteers

If you are willing to make crafts to donate, may have items for the Attic Treasures Room, or want to make snacks and baked goods to share, check out our website to learn more about Gingerbread House 2025 and how to donate and/or volunteer.

Thanksgiving Day Meal

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Woodlawn Winter Needs

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Blood Drive

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