

Sunday, October 17, 2021

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“Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.”

*Please stand if able...

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: As the rains pour from heaven, soaking the earth that it may produce good things....

People: So God pours God’s love upon us, that we, too, may produce goodness and peace.

Leader: We have been blessed with many gifts and talents.

People: God desires that we use these gifts and talents for healing, peace and hope.

Leader: Come, let us worship and celebrate the mighty love and power of God.

People: Praise be to God who has blessed us in so many ways. AMEN

***OPENING HYMN:** *I Sing the Almighty Power of*
God 152

OPENING PRAYER

Lord, everywhere we look we see the imprint of

LITURGIST SCHEDULE

October 17th Don Peterson
October 24th Norma Purkat
October 31st DeEtta Annala

USHER SCHEDULE

October 17th Mary Thesing and Linda-Thesing Hall
October 24th John Malevich
October 31st DeEtta Annala

YARD WORK SCHEDULE

October 11th-17th Kerzie/Hafdahl
October 18th-24th Peterson
October 25th-31st Malevich

Scripture Readings for next week (October 24th)
Psalm 34:1-8 (19-22) (UMH 769)
Job 42:1-6, 10-17
Hebrews 7:23-28

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will be having our pasty sale starting October 20th-22nd. Wednesday, October 20th – setting up tables, peeling and cutting vegetables, etc. And baking 300 pasties in the afternoon - this will help with all the orders and baking on Thursday. Friday will be clean up if needed. All orders will be picked up on Thursday, October 21st between 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. There is a sign up sheet in the back for help with lunch/supper and for snacks, bars, cookies, etc.

If you can help – please let Sue know...

We are planning on giving out Halloween Candy from the church on Sunday, October 31st. We will open the doors by 5:00 p.m. to greet the trick or treaters.

your creative love. The wondrous works of nature show your majesty. As we gather today to celebrate your love and creation, keep us mindful that we are part of that created order, meant to be stewards and not destroyers. Prepare us to work for you in ministries of peace and justice. AMEN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of love and compassion, you call us to lives of love and service, and to share in Christ's cup of compassion for the healing of the world. Like Job, we complain about the unfairness of life, seeking explanations when we don't get everything we want. Like James and John, we want to be first. We want to win at the game of power and glory. Forgive us when we forget that we are not the center of your great creation, and that you are the beginning and ending of all things. In Jesus' name we pray. AMEN

PSALM READING: Psalm 104 (read responsively – page 826 UMH)

*HYMN: *This is My Father's World*

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CHILDREN'S TIME

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Silent prayers...

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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 and ever. AMEN

***HYMN:** *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* 154

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Job 38:1-7

EPISTLE LESSON: Hebrews 5:1-10

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 10:35-45

MESSAGE

Pastor MaryLou

***HYMN:** *Take Up Thy Cross* 415

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS/MUSIC

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below: praise Him above Ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. AMEN

Please leave your offering in the plate on the stand as you enter or leave the sanctuary.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of great blessing, but even greater lessons, remind us again who gives life and who receives it. Sometimes, like Job, we need to have our questioning answered with a lesson – we need to learn that we are not the ones in charge in the universe. The gifts we bring this morning are not a down payment toward future favor, but a token of a debt we will never be able to repay. May we gain wisdom in the giving, and may these gifts be blessed for your glory, not ours. In Christ, we pray. AMEN

BENEDICTION

HYMN: *More Like You*

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POSTLUDE