

For the Week of October 24, 2021

ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UP

We will resume Sunday worship flower delivery from Pletcher's. If you would like to place flowers on the altar in honor of or in memory of a loved one there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex by the elevator. The cost of one bouquet is \$27. You may pick up the flowers following the service.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH GROUP TODAY

Sunday school (preschool-5th grade) and youth group will follow worship, running from 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. Masks are required.

TRANSITION SURVEY

The Transition Team sent out emails sent last week to get your input. Please fill out the Google Form online by October 31. You can also find the link in the Candle. Paper copies are available in the Narthex.

NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?

The mini-bus is revved up and ready to take you to church! Call the church office (612-781-2796) by noon Friday to let us know you want a ride.

COVID INFORMATION

Masks are required in the building for worship and meetings. We continue to ask that everyone distance from each other.

Please get tested if you believe you have been exposed to COVID and stay home and self-isolate if you have been infected or think you may have been infected. Thank you for your cooperation to ensure everyone's safety.

A CHANGE IN PRAYER REQUESTS DURING WORSHIP

Please pick up a prayer card when you take a bulletin. Fill out the cards with prayer requests as you prepare for worship. An usher will collect the cards during the gathering hymn. We will include your joys and concerns in our prayers.

THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

- Dave Johnson recovering from surgery
- Aidan (Brenda Wetzel's nephew) awaiting a bone marrow transplant, and for his father Collin who is overwhelmed with worry
- Nancy (Matt Nordeen's mother) suffering from an unknown illness
- Marilyn (Janell Wampler's sister) recovering from femur surgery and multiple infections
- Richard Bradley (Janell Wampler's father), recovering from ankle replacement surgery
- Joe Prondzinski: pain relief and healing (Bob and Sandy Bauer's son-in-law)
- Kathy Halverson, recovering from surgery
- Ryan, friend of Greta Kutzer, struggling with MS
- Glenn, Brian Wirth's brother struggling with pain following back surgery
- John Salveson, former Mt. Carmel music director, battling cancer.

To include your prayers on this list, contact the church office. If you would like the pastor to be aware of your prayer concerns but do not want them named publicly, please be sure to note that. Let the office know of any updates or changes.







THE FOUNDATION'S LEGACY PARTNERS ANNUAL BRUNCH

Sunday, Oct. 31, following worship

The Foundation will have their famous caramel rolls and coffee to share on Sunday, Oct. 31 after worship as well as information available on what it means to become a Legacy Partner.

This event looks a little different this year. Please join us at church—or for on-line viewers you may drive by—to share in a caramel roll and coffee.

HOMEBOUND AND LONG-TERM CARE

Ethel Antonson, Marlene Black, Lorraine Carlson, Annette Dahl, Marion Harris, Gerry Johnson, Carol Kwiecien, Jennie Porter, Virginia Schaal and Dorothy Warhol

FELLOWSHIP OCTOBER

- Good Fruits Bible Study—Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. at Silverwood Park (Contact Leona Olson, onondaye@yahoo.com)
- ONLINE Men's Bible Study—Wednesdays at 6:45

 a.m. (Contact Ralph Matthes, marinosdelimpls@gmail.com)
- Racial Justice Book Study Group Thursday,
 November 4 at 6:30 p.m. in Fireside Room
 (contact Barb Hollister, <u>bjhollister@comcast.net</u>)

SUPPORT THE SCOUTS

Mt. Carmel Scouts BSA Troop 132 is selling wreaths, swag, garland and more! Proceeds fund operating and camping over the course of the year. Please return your completed order form to the office by October 31. Visit mountcarmelmpls.org if you prefer to order online or pick up an order form in the narthex.

Ordered wreaths will be available at the church on Sunday, November 21. We will follow up with those unable to pick up that day. Contact Jim Evans at 612-208-0104 or jamesevans64@comcast.net with any questions. Thank you!

CHILDCARE FUNDRAISER

The childcare is selling butter braids and caramel rolls to raise funds to support the center. Order <u>online</u> or grab an order form outside the church office. Orders are due by November 8. Thank you!

WEBSITE MAINTENANCE

Due to unexpected technical issues, Mt. Carmel's website needs to be redesigned. While we have a temporary page up for visitors, it will be a few weeks before our complete website (and all of its links and documents) will be back. If you have questions or need something sent to you, please contact the church office at office@mountcarmelmpls.org or 612-781-2796. We appreciate your patience.

REMEMBERING TO GIVE

Please continue to support our congregation with your faithful financial contributions to Mt. Carmel as you are able. There are several ways to give:

- Online by credit card or bank account. Visit mountcarmelmpls.org to give online.
- Mail your check to the church or drop off in the secure mailbox.

Your generous support for Mt. Carmel and our ministry is truly appreciated.





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Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost October 24, 2021 – Worship Service

Congregation parts are printed in **bold**.

Please make sure you have the following items on hand and ready for communion:

- Bread on a small plate. You may put a cloth or napkin on top if you like.
- Wine or grape juice (or some other beverage) and small glasses to drink from.

PRFLUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God our comforter:

C: like lost sheep, we have gone astray.

We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.

We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.

We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.

Free us from our sin, gracious God.

Listen when we call out to you for help.

Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

P: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in + Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins. **C: Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN ELW 665

Rise Shine You People

Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered our human story; God in him is centered.

He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded, with grace unbounded.

- 2 See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling; he brings us freedom, light and life and healing. All men and women, who by guilt are driven, now are forgiven.
- 3 Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling, your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling. To all the world go out and tell the story of Jesus' glory.
- Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us.

 Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.

 Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation

 God's new creation.

GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you!

HYMN OF PRAISE
You Are Holy

You are holy, you are whole.
You are always ever more
than we ever understand.
You are always at hand.
Blessed are you coming near.
Blessed are you coming here
to your church in wine and bread,
raised from soil, raised from dead.

You are holy, you are wholeness, you are present.
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!
Sing hosanna in the highest!
Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to our God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31: 7-9

L: Thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel."

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

L: Word of God, Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 10: 46-52

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 10th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE Pastor Christine Wenzel

HYMN OF THE DAY

God, Whose Almighty Word

ELW 673

- God, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard and took their flight: hear us, we humbly pray, and where the gospel day sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light.
- 2 Christ, who once came to bring, on your redeeming wing, healing and sight; health to the troubled mind, sight where illusions blind; oh, now to humankind let there be light.

- 3 Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy dove, speed forth your flight; move on the water's face bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place let there be light.
- 4 Holy and blessed three, glorious Trinity,
 Wisdom, Love, Might: boundless as ocean's tide,
 rolling in fullest pride, through the earth, far and wide,
 let there be light.

Prayers of the People

L: Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

L: Risen One, we give you thanks for congregations and ministries throughout the world that serve as centers of prayer and action. We give you thanks for all who provide for others. Inspire generosity in your people, so that we carry out the work of making disciples of all nations. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Holy One, we give you thanks for generous land that produces abundant harvests. Strengthen and protect all soils, from rooftop gardens to prairie farmlands, to fertile valleys, and bless all who lovingly tend them. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Ruling One, we give you thanks for leaders of nations who work to build up the common good. Strengthen efforts of reconciliation among all nations, that peace extends in every direction. Hear us, O God.

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Here other intercessions may be offered.

- Living One, we give you thanks for the saints who have increased our faith. Give us courage to follow in hope until you gather us all around your table of abundance. Hear us, O God.
- C: Your mercy is great.
- L: Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

OFFERTORY

Choir

"Come Dove of Heaven"

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray: God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert, and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us.

Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

MEAL

- There is bread on hand on a small plate. You may put a cloth or napkin on top if you like.
- There is wine or grape juice ready (or some other beverage if wine or grape juice is not available).
- That you have small glasses of some kind to drink from. The wine can either be poured ahead of time or at the time of serving.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

C: 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 and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

RECEIVING THE MEAL

For those who are doing the consecrating at home, AT THIS TIME you can now do the distribution words below, As you do the words for distribution, you can hold up the appropriate element – the bread and the goblet or cup - if you wish (but it's not necessary).

L: This is the body of Christ, broken for you. This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us Pray: Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING

FINAL BLESSING

P: People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world.

The holy Trinity,

one God, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

ELW 860

- I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
 I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
 I'm so glad Jesus lifted me,
 singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.
- Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me.
 Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me.
 Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me,
 singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.
- When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me.
 When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me.
 When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me,
 singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Thank you to Paul Lathrop and Patrick Lathrop, and Myrna Flatland for providing the audio and video support for our worship services.

Rise Shine You People

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God Whose Almighty Word

Text: John Marriott, 1780-1825, alt.

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

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