

ORDER OF WORSHIP
20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 22, 2017

10:30 a.m.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Bell Prelude

“Prelude”

Donald Allured

Celebration Ringers

Welcome & Words about The Life and Work of the Church

* A Time of Greeting

Steeple Bell

Choral Introit

Call to Worship

based on Micah 6:6-8

Grace and peace to you!

And to you!

With what shall we come before the Lord?

God has told us what is good;

and what does the Lord require of us but to do justice,

and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God?

Offering ourselves wholly and humbly,-

Let us offer our worship to God!

***Hymn #386**

“Come, Worship God”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you know that we have not completely offered ourselves to you. You know those things we try to hide, those things we want to hold back, the sacrifices we don't want to make. Forgive us for forgetting how richly we've been blessed, and the blessing we can find in giving. Forgive us for fear that closes off our hands and hearts from the needs of others. By your mercy, restore to us the joy of our salvation, and renew a right spirit within us. Grateful for your mercy, hear our prayers...

(silent prayers)

Assurance of Pardon

***Response #39 refrain**

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

A Stewardship Snapshot

Ray Snyder

Anthem

“What Does The Lord Require Of You?”

Robert Hobby

Choir

What does the Lord require of you, require, require of you? Bind up the broken - hearted, offering God's peace. Strengthen the weak, offering God's hope. Seek and find, find the face of Christ, seek and find the face of Christ in each of God's children. What does the Lord require of you, require, require of you? Nurture the young and tend the old, offering God's love. Feed the hungry, clothe the naked, offering God's compassion. Share the good news in the Name of Christ. Share the good news: with God there is welcome, with God there is welcome for all! What does the Lord require of you? To do justice, and love kindness, and to walk humbly with God. What does the Lord require of you?

Prayer for Illumination

Open our ears, our minds, our hearts, to hear these words as your Word. May hearing it call forth from us renewed intention to live as your faithful people, grateful that you still speak and lead us. Amen.

First Scripture Lesson I Thessalonians 1:1-10 Page: NT 203

A Scripture Conversation

Second Scripture Lesson Matthew 22:15-22 Page: NT 24

Sermon *“Picture this: When duty calls”*

***Hymn #708** *“We Give Thee But Thine Own”*

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory *“One Great Spirit”*

Kathleen Wissinger

Celebration Ringers

***Response (#712 v.3)**

**In gratitude and humble trust we bring our best today,
To serve your cause and share your love with all along life’s way.
O God who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ your Son,
Help us to give ourselves each day until life’s work is done.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

All things come from you, O God. What we offer is already yours. Receive it, and with it, receive us as stewards of all of your blessings. May we continue to live, and to give, as those grateful to know the Giver. In the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn #716** "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

***Charge and Benediction**

Choral Benediction
Steeple Bell

Organ Postlude **GATHER FOR CONGREGATIONAL PHOTO!**

You may recycle your bulletins in the basket at the back of the Meeting House.

Thank you for serving today:

Worship Leader: Carol Mayhew

Ushers: Amy & Scott Selheimer

Nursery: Andrew Lundgren & Melissa Boris

Sunday School: Bruce Raker

Fellowship Hour: Peter McCurdy

Counters: Rachel Briggs & Steven Handy

The flowers today are given by *Joanne Hopkins*

In Memory of John Hopkins

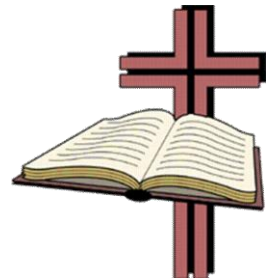
Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

Ella Brown

1877-1970

Matilda van Trump Beasley

1904-1991



Deadline for November newsletter is tomorrow!

THE PICT_RE WON'T BE THE SAME WITHOUT U TODAY!

Calling all church folk! We will be taking some congregational photos during/after worship on Sunday October 22 and need all faces! This is a fun way to show prospective pastor candidates – and others who check us out on the website – who we are. Please make every effort to be here – and encourage others to bring their faces, too! And then, plan to stay for the....

GIVING BRUNCH – TODAY

We'll celebrate all the giving in the past that has given us the gift of our church today, and the ways we can give now to insure that our church's vision and vitality continue. We'll share good food, some creative opportunities – like a photo booth – and most of all, the good company of our church family. Don't miss it!

WHAT'S THE WORD? A weekday Bible Study - Wednesdays @ 1:00pm

Jenny leads a Biblical journey through Biblical journeys, beginning in the fall with Old Testament journeys. Come join the journey and the discussions of how transition affects us all in many ways, for many reasons – and how to seek to live in it, and through it, faithfully.

SEAMEN'S CENTER CHRISTMAS AT SEA

The Mission and Outreach Committee will again be supporting the Seamen's Center **Christmas at Sea** program. As in past years, we hope to provide approximately 40 "ditty boxes" including items such as shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, candy, etc., as well as hand knitted scarves and hats. This is our opportunity to share our resources and our gratitude with those who work hard all year long to provide us with essential goods. Please see the poster in Fellowship Hall. Items should be delivered to church by November 19, 2017. The "ditty boxes" will be assembled after worship that day.

Anyone questions contact Ellie Gerhart (328-0908) or Barbara Whisman (322-6234).

1st SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR – and you?

We are a congregation that values our time of fellowship and conversation – and, of course, food!

Our Coffee Hour schedule calls for volunteers from the congregation to host on the 1st Sunday. Our main purpose is the fellowship – so keeping the snack food simple is more than fine. The kitchen is always stocked with cheese & crackers, cookies, lemonade mix, coffee and creamers. You can be reimbursed for other food you provide. Want help from the Deacons with a kitchen tour or coffee tutorial? Contact Sandy Wilson (544-6578) or Bev Denison (444-4191). A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall, and our first opening is December 3rd. Find a buddy and host together!

TABLE TALKS – Nov 5 & 12

As a first step in our Mission Study process, the Mission Study team will be leading Table Talk gatherings around our tables during Fellowship Hour on both Nov 5 & 12. The session will be identical, realizing that personal schedules and church meetings may prevent everyone from attending just one date. (You are welcome to participate twice, of course -and will learn new things by sitting with different people!). Giving our input on a series of questions will help the Mission Study team in its work. And listening well to others do the same will help us be a more receptive congregation. So save the dates, and join us for Table Talk!

PUMPKIN PARTY - Friday, October 27 – 6:00-7:30pm

Last year we had a fantastic evening at the church filled with games, costumes, pizza, treats, and of course - pumpkins! This year we will be having a party for the "Gift of Love program." Please feel free to bring any items that can go in the "ditty boxes" (chapstick, lotion, toothpaste, etc.,) Come on out, dress up and have a fun night! If you have any neighbors or friends that would be interested in going - the more the merrier! Bring a treat to share! We will have pizza, punch, and more goodies! We hope to see you there!

Please RSVP by calling the church office 328-3279

BROWNIE MIXES NEEDED!

Please remember to put brownie mix on your grocery list! When you see brownie mix at a good price, please purchase and bring to the church kitchen. Leave your donation on the counter to the left of the refrigerators. They will be handed out for volunteer bakers to prepare once a month. Thanks! - Joan Smith

ALL SAINTS' DAY SERVICE – Sunday, November 5

As part of our worship service on November 5, we will honor those who have died to this life, but live on in our memory. You will have the opportunity to come forward, offer a name and light a candle, to celebrate that life here and to give thanks for the life that awaits all of God's saints.

Prayer List:

To place a name on the confidential Prayer Chain, contact Susan Flook, 302-328-7346 suzieflook@hotmail.com or Fran Gingher, silverfran@aol.com

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This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY	10/22	10:30am 11:30am 12:00pm	Worship & Sunday School Stewardship Brunch - All are Welcome! - Picture Day! Colonial Chimers
Monday	10/23	7:00pm	Deadline for Newsletter English Country Dancers
Wednesday	10/25	1:00pm 7:30pm	Bible Study Choir
Thursday	10/26	7:30pm	Celebration Ringers
Friday	10/27	6:00pm	Pumpkin Party
Saturday	10/28	8-9am	Tai Chi
SUNDAY	10/29	10:30am 11:30am 12:00pm	Worship & Sunday School Fellowship Hour - All are Welcome! Colonial Chimers

Reminder: Monday, Oct 23rd is the Deadline for November newsletter