

Morning Worship

Sunday, September 27, 2020, 10:00 am

17th Sunday after Pentecost

Beginning Music "This is My Father's World"

Prelude "Jesus Lover of My Soul"

Words to ponder: "Listen to parables and dark sayings of old. Ponder the stories of Jesus and God's mighty deeds of power."

Additional Scriptures for this Sunday: Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16; Philippians 2:1-13

Scriptures for 18th Sunday after Pentecost: Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Psalm 19; Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome

Call to Worship (*Responsively*) Leader

Leader: Give ear to God's teaching.

People: We gather to hear the stories of our ancestors.

Leader: Incline your ears to parables and dark sayings of old.

People: We come seeking stories of God's wondrous power.

Leader: Tell the coming generations of God's glorious deeds.

People: We will not hide them from our children.

Leader: Come to the fount of living water.

People: We will drink deeply from the waters of life.

Leader: Taste the wellspring of our salvation.

People: We gather to worship as people reborn.

Opening Prayer (*Unison*) Holy Mystery, the stories of our ancestors touch us as dark sayings of old. Help us behold truths in their stories, we are frightened to see in our own. Open our eyes to see your presence amidst their hopes and fears. Open our hearts to the courage it takes to assume leadership in our communities, while remaining your faithful followers. Open our minds to perceive hope in the midst of despair. We believe, Great Spirit. Help our unbelief. Amen.

Opening Hymn "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

A Time for Children of All Ages

Maggie Flemma

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

First Reading Ephesians 15:18b-20 Leader

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Reading Matthew 21:23-32 Leader

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ!

Hymn of Preparation "Spirit of the Living God" Eunice Alberts/
Ron Giannattasio

Sermon "Do We "Walk The Talk" " Pastor Ed

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer of Confession (*Unison*) Leader

God of second chances, you are always there for us. In the midst of our grumbling, we yearn to find the strength of our convictions. In the course of our struggles, we long to soldier humbly on, forsaking positions of power and authority. We want to work gladly in your vineyard, without thought of reward or acknowledgement. Renew us in your compassion and grace, that our eyes may be opened to your presence and our minds may be filled with the very mind of Christ. Amen.

Silent Meditation

Words of Assurance

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns Bill Florin

Response: "Lord, hear our prayers."

Silent Prayer followed by the Pastoral Prayer

The Offering of our Gifts *(Please mail in your offerings)*

Doxology

Offering Prayer (Unison) God of overflowing abundance, when your people suffered from thirst, you satisfied their need with water from a rock. Receive our gifts this day, O God, and transform our gifts into blessing that grace the lives of others like an ever-flowing streams. Receive our thanks and our praise, our industry and our love, that all might share your manifold blessings. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

Sending Hymn "Trust and Obey"

Benediction

Our Worship Tech Team

**Rose Aiello
Eunice Alberts
Patti Early
Bill Florin**

**RoseAnne Homola
Amy Rajpolt
Sheryl Rajpolt**

Ed Dayton – Pastor

Liturgist: Rose Aiello; Children's Time: Maggie Flemma
Bill Florin – Joys and Concerns Leader

Soloist: Eunice Alberts; Pianist: Ron Giannattasio
UMC Monroe Lay Leader: Rose Aiello

LHUMC Lay Leaders: Maggie Flemma and Tim Quinn

Music Leaders: Patti Early, RoseAnne Homola, Eunice Alberts



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