November 3, 2024 Reformation 24th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 AM *Those who are able, please stand WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

WELCOME

We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today. We hope the service will be a blessing to you. This is the Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost. Today is Reformation Sunday. Today we are talking about how we got started.

The Flowers today are given by Sandra Maceyka in Memory of her Father.

Announcements:

Free Lunch Monday Nov 4, 2024 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

November 4, 2024 - Bible Study in Parlour @ 1:00 PM

November 10, 2024 - All Saints Sunday

November 6, 2024 - Captain - (See Pastor or Sally for details)

November 18, 2024 - Monthly Food Pantry 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

November 28, 2024 - Thanksgiving "Church is Closed"

MUSICAL PRELUDE: "The Voice of Jesus" (Pianist) Mavis Baldwin

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (In Unison)

God hears the cries of our hearts, sees our actions, knows our attitudes. God has given to each one of us blessings and talents. Turn again to the Lord to see the light of God's love. In the midst of our darkness, the bright light of God's love shines through, healing our souls. Rejoice in God's love and share the blessings you have been given with others. Be thankful for those who boldly went forward before us to insure a place for us to worship. Amen

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Leader: For all those who have paved the way for our freedom of worship, we give thanks, O Lord.

People: For those who have taught us about witness and the power of love, we give thanks, O Lord.

Leader: Our hearts are filled with joy when we think of those who have framed our faith.

Leader: For those who work in our church that we may come to know what it means to serve, we give thanks, O Lord.

People: We appreciate all those people who have taught us the great lessons of faith and life.

All: Open our hearts and spirits, O Lord, and help us to become good workers for you. AMEN

GATHERING SONG "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" UMH 110

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (In Unison)

God of all generations, on this Reformation Sunday, we remember mothers and fathers in the faith who took bold steps in new directions to re-form your church. Pour out your spirit upon us, that we too may dream dreams, see visions, and view the whole created order as your bountiful temple. Open our hearts today to receive the invitation of Jesus to come and be present in our lives. With responsibility and joy, we pledge ourselves to renew this temple, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Time with God's Children:

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS (Prayer request forms are available)

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.

PRAYER RESPONSE "Oh Lord Hear My Prayer" TFWS 2200

GIVING OF OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" Chancel Choir

DOXOLOGY "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGING

God of unimaginable love, you have given us so much and asked so little. It is our delight and our devotion to give these gifts to you today. All we are and all we have are yours alone. As we dedicate our gifts this morning to bringing acts of love, may we also resolve to better keep our side of your covenant of love. Accept these offerings today as a token of our abiding love. Use them to bring peace, justice and comfort to our Community, our Church and all the World. We ask all this in Jesus name. Amen.

SONG OF COMMITMENT "Take My Life, and Let it Be"

UMH 399

Psalter Reading: (Responsive) Psalm 119

UMH 841-843

Affirmation of Faith: (Please Stand) Affirmation from Romans

on from Romans UMH 885

GLORIA PATRI (We use this ancient response to praise God) UMH 70

SCRIPTURE Romans 1: 16-17, 5:1-2, 2 Timothy 3:14-17 2 Corinthians 5:18-21

SHARING THE STORY "Change is Never Easy-Then or Now" Pastor Joyce Royal

HOLY COMMUNION - ON INSERT

SENDING SONG "The Church's One Foundation"

UMH 545

SENDING FORTH

Do not be afraid to witness to the love of God through Jesus Christ. All darkness has been banished. Your lives are reformed in Christ's love. Go now in peace to serve with great joy. Bring the love of God with you so that the light which has re-formed and brightened your life may shine for others. Amen

MUSICAL POSTLUDE "Now on Land and Sea Descending" Pianist Mavis Baldwin

Prayer List: Calae Bonfey, Logan Rose, Jean Hart, Elaine Schrum, Carol Johnson, Kevin Quaresino, Portia Robles, Dave & Stacy Winnie, Ivy Patterson, Family of Andrea Russell and for her daughter Zoey and Matt Brezosky, James's Mother, Valerie Eisenhauer, Mavis' sister Helen ***

If you have a joy or a prayer request of the Prayer Chain group, please call Carol Johnson at 518-921-9902



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