October 17, 2021 Twenty-first 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-first Sunday after Pentecost. Today we are celebrating Laity Sunday and rejoicing in the talents that God has given each of us.

The flowers on the altar are in Memory of Leslie Perry given by the Perry, Boles and Capasso Families

MUSICAL PRELUDE: "More Love to Thee, O Christ" Pianist Mavis Baldwin

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (In Unison)

God hears the cries of our hearts, sees our actions, knows our attitudes. In the midst of our busy days, God reaches out to heal and forgive us. God reaches out to calm our fears and concerns. Receive the peace which God has offered to you. Live in God's love. AMEN.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Leader: Servants of God, lift up your heads, your hands and your hearts.

People: Power, might and majesty belong to God who created and is creating.

Leader: Like the image of the powerful wind, and heavens as a garment, God's majesty is revealed in all creation.

People: We look around us at the wonders and marvel and the infinite variety and beauty which God has created.

Leader: As the rains pours 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. P: Thanks be to God for God's mighty wonders. Praise be to God who has blessed us in so many ways. AMEN.

GATHERING SONG "The Summons" TFWS 2130

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (In Unison)

O God, who shows us how to serve through the service of Jesus Christ, look upon us today, this Laity Sunday, with understanding. We have dedicated ourselves to the service of your world, but sometimes fail to do what needs to be done. As we gather today to celebrate your creation of our Laity Servants, keep us mindful that we are part of that created order, meant to be stewards and not just followers. We ask your forgiveness, O Lord, in the name of the One who came not to be served but to serve. Teach us today and every day to be a servant to you in this troubled world. Prepare us to work for you in ministries of peace and justice. We ask this is Jesus name. Amen Time with God's Children:

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS (Prayer request forms are available at the back of the sanctuary)

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 "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" UMH 349

GIVING OF OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Here I am Lord" Chancel Choir

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

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGING

God of great blessings, remind us again who gives life and who receives it. The gifts we bring this morning are 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. Use these gifts we give today to help in the ministry of our Church, our Community and the World, In Christ, we pray. Amen

SONG OF COMMITMENT "Ye Servant of God" UMH 181

Psalter Reading: (Responsive) Psalm 100 UMH 821

Affirmation of Faith: (Please Stand) A Modern Affirmation UMH 885

GLORIA PATRI (We use this ancient response to praise God for the Bible) UMH 70 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

SCRIPTURE Mark 10: 35-45

SHARING THE STORY "Expeditions and Encounters"
Certified Lay Speaker Judy Davis and Certified Lay Servant, James Medbury

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Free Lunch October 18, 2021.. 11:30-12:30 PM Interfaith Tea October 19, 2021 @ Church of Holy Spirit - 11:30 Annual Church Conference @ North Main UMC Nov 6, 2021

SENDING SONG "Go make of all Disciples" UMH 571

SENDING FORTH

You have been called to serve the Lord with gladness. Go from this place knowing that God's blessings have been poured on you so that you may be a blessing to others. Be at peace and bring the good news of God's love and peace to all whom you meet. AMEN.

MUSICAL POSTLUDE "The Voice of God Is Calling" Pianist Mavis Baldwin

Prayer List: Cheryl Bielli's Family in the passing of her Mother, Penna Smith's family & Baby Sasha, Family of Paul Vosteen, Family of Donna Lee Thompson, Family of Barbara Crosten, Family of Pat Seely, Cheryl Bielli's Family in passing of her Father Bob Aron, Joe Benton, Tina Parry, Francis Aloisio, Elaine and Art Schrum, Bucky Baldwin, Carol Johnson, Jeff Davis, Prayers for our World.

Cookie Dough Fundraiser is on going until October 30, 2021
Our Terri Lynn Nuts and Candy Fundraiser Website is open.

Use https://www.northmainstUMC.terrilynn.com

Rada Fundraising Website is https://radafundraising.com?rfsn=5931798.74bc38e

*** If you have a joy or a prayer request or would like to be a part of the Prayer Chain group, please call Carol Johnson at 518-844-3354***

Welcome to Worship

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