Sept 15, 2024 Seventeenth 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 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost. Today we are talking about how we need to be careful about what we say and how we say it. The truth of God's wisdom is beautiful and life-giving.

The flowers are in given by Ron and Dorothy Holly in Memory of Karen Holly

Announcements: Trustee meeting after Church today - Admin Board next Sunday Monday Sept 16, 2024, Free Lunch 11-12:30, Nancy, Sally and Penna Sept 16, 2024 Food Pantry 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM Monday Sept 22..New Bible Study "Daniel" All are Welcome 1:00 PM Sept 24 Neighborhood Engagement 34:00 - 6:00 PM @ Rail Trail Park District Day is Saturday, Sept. 28 at Saratoga Springs UMC

MUSICAL PRELUDE: "Ye Are the Light of the World" Pianist Mavis Baldwin

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (In Unison)

The heavens tell of your glory, O God. May our lives tell the story of your grace! The earth proclaims your creative power, mighty one. May our actions truly proclaim your amazing love to us as well as others. May our words and our hearts both proclaim your love to others.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Leader: The heavens are singing, proclaiming God's creation.

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People: Day by day we are reminded of God's creative love. May our lives tell the story of your grace!

Leader: The earth proclaims your creative power and we are blessed by it.

People: There is so much beauty in this earth and in the heavens

Leader: Day by day we are blessed with large and small visions of God's glory. People: Let us sing and shout our praises of thanksgiving and joy to God.

Leader: Just as the heavens burst forth in praise to God.

People: Lord, we come, seeking your wisdom and your guidance Leader: Open our hearts and spirits, Lord, and teach us your ways

People: God watches over us, loving and healing us.

Leader: We are called to follow Jesus.

People: Come, let us celebrate with joy the love of God.. AMEN

GATHERING SONG "Morning has Broken" UMH 145

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (In Unison)

God of wisdom and truth, you see our hearts so clearly. You speak to our lives so profoundly. Speak to us now. Inspire us with your word. Speak clearly to our hearts, that we may walk in your ways and live in your love. Help us live and walk in your truth, that we might be your people, and you might be our God. In the name of Christ, our Messiah, we pray. 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 "Surely the Presence of the Lord" UMH 328

GIVING OF OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Count Your Blessings" Chancel Choir

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

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGING

God of Love and Mercy, we bring these offerings with grateful hearts, honoring your enduring guidance in our lives. Just as Wisdom works with willing hands and provides for those in need, May these gifts be transformed into your gifts

for our church, our community and for all the world. Bless these gifts and bless our lives, that all may glorify you. In trust, we pray. Amen

SONG OF COMMITMENT "Near to the Heart of God" UMH 472

Prayer for the Holy Spirit (in Unison) UMH 329

<u>Psalter Reading</u>: (Responsive) Psalm 1 UMH 738

Affirrmaion of Faith: Apostles' Creed UMH 881

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

SCRIPTURE Epistle: James 3:1-12 - Gospel: Mark 8:27-38

SHARING THE STORY "Who do You say I am" Pastor Joyce Royal

SENDING SONG ""Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" UMH 348

SENDING FORTH

May the actions of our lives be grace-filled and kind. May we go where Christ leads and walk in God's truth. Go forth into God's world as God's own children. Let the love of Christ be reflected in your life and your deeds as well as your word. Go with joy to serve the Lord. AMEN.

MUSICAL POSTLUDE "Where he Leads Me I will follow" UMH 338 Pianist Mavis Baldwin

Prayer List: The Holly Family in the death of Ron's Aunt Shirley, Edna Bennett, Logan Rose, Anne Veeder, Family of Linda Holland, Donna Goodell Jean Hart, Carol Johnson, Steve Miles, Kevin Quaresino, Dave & Stacy Winnie, Family of Art Schrum, Portia Robles, Alison Clun, Family of Andrea Russell, Prayers for her daughter Zoey and Matt Brezovsky, Ivy Patterson, Linda Sammons, Calae Bonfey

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^{**}If you have a joy or a prayer request please call Carol Johnson at 518-921-9902***