

July 9, 2023 ~ 6th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering Music ~ Mark Handford

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship ~ (portions of Psalm 96) ~ *responsive*

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song.

People: Sing to the Lord all the earth.

Leader: Sing to the Lord and bless God's name.

People: Proclaim the Good News of God's salvation from day to day.

Leader: Declare God's glory among the nations.

People: For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised!

**you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

**Hymn #37 ~ "Let All Things Now Living"*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #710 ~ "Sanctuary" (x2)

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus ~ "I Love This Family" (arr. C. Bowes) (x2)

*I love this family of God, so closely knitted into one,
They've taken me into their midst and I'm so glad to be a part of this great family.*

Offering Prayer

***Doxology#606 ~ “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” (Avery & Marsh)**
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Ezekiel 34:1-6

Special Music ~ “Be Ye Glad” (M.K Blanchard) ~ Jerry Stone

Christian Scripture ~ Acts 2:43-47

Message ~ “Resurrection’s Embodied Community” ~ The Rev. Paul Stunkel, guest

***Hymn #769 ~ “For Everyone Born”**

A time for sharing the joys and concerns of our community.

Prayer Preparation ~ “Hear Our Prayer, O Lord”
Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord;
Incline thine ear to us, And grant us Thy peace.

The Lord’s Prayer ~ *in unison*

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.

***Hymn #741 ~ “Guide My Feet”**

***Benediction**

***Choral Response ~ “My Friends May You Grow in Grace” (G. Scheer, G. DeMey, G. Kett, S Diamond, T.J. Meaney)**

My friends may you grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.

My friends may you grow in grace and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Refrain: To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever. Amen.

To God be the glory now and forever, now and forever. Amen.

Postlude

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Thank you to Don Tulley, Mark and Cindy Handford, the Celebration Choir, and the Tech Crew for helping make last Sunday’s service happen! Well done!!

A congregational meeting is called for next Sunday, July 16, 2023, immediately following worship, for the purpose of presenting a candidate to be elected as a ruling elder, Class of 2023.

The **worship service next Sunday, July 16** will be held outdoors, under the tent, with communion, followed by a BBQ.

The VBS Mission Project - collecting canned vegetables for the Aldersgate Food Pantry - will continue through July 18. Please consider making a donation.

Chancel Flowers may be ordered from the Board of Deacons for any of the remaining available Sundays in 2023. Order forms are in the office. Please check the chart on the lobby wall for an open date **before** placing your order.

Moving with the Spirit will begin the next session on July 11 and continue through August 15. The fee is \$30.00, payable to Karen Barsy.

FYI: June Income: \$13,304.17; June Expenses: \$19,238.57
Consumers Energy and DTE – 6 months: \$31,048.24

Please hold those listed in prayer... and REVIEW and REPORT updates, PLEASE!



Steve Boyak, Andy Foy, Bill Garvey, Mike Graham, Janet Frank, Grace Erwin
August and Faith Kornowicz
Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim and Joanna Roye, Jerry Stone
Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell
Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips, Anna Richardson
Pat Garrett ~ sister of Don Tulley; Nate Statly ~ friend of Joey Nicholas
Julie Newell ~ cousin of Pam Phillips
Elizabeth ~ sister-in law of Pat Garvey and Andy ~ nephew of Pat Garvey
Linda Thompson and her sister, Shirley Kircoff
Joan Velis and family; Westin ~ infant grandson of Jeanne Sinclair
John Branch ~ father of Christie Piastowski
Dave Schulz ~ nephew of Carol and Mike Graham
Cousins of Terry Earnley and Jennifer Speiles ~ friend of Terry Earnley
Lois Wludyka and John Candiloro ~ friends of August Kornowicz
Ray and Mary Clark ~ neighbors of Don and Meta Tulley
Richard Rosenberg and Mike Hyatt ~ friends of Judy McGregor
Sarah and Mason Young ~ family of Judy McGregor
Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August and Faith Kornowicz
Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie and Marc Whitlock
Rosemary Iaquina ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel; Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen
Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck
Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit
Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright
Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike and Carol Graham; Mark Osborne ~ son of the late Janet
Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda Seymour
David Bonandrini ~ son of Ben; Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook
Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips; Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo
Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling and Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron and Janet Frank
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon and Marion Davis