

October 15, 2023 ~ 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering Music ~ Karen Danke, guest

Welcome and Announcements ~ Judy McGregor, liturgist

Prelude ~ *"All Creatures of Our God and King"*

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: Lord, as we worship, make us channels of your peace:

People: Where there is hatred, let me bring your love,

Leader: where there is injury, your healing power,

People: and where there's doubt, true faith in you, our Lord. Amen.

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

**Hymn ~ "Holy Is the Lord" (L. Giglio/C. Tomlin)*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

Jesus, we seek to follow you where you lead. Yet at times when we feel distant from you we stumble and fall prey to sin. Lord, in your mercy, forgive our sins and lead us in your ways. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #71 ~ *"Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me"* (refrain)

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stong-hold and my sure defense, and God will be my Savior.

Passing the Peace

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

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus ~ *"Shout to the Lord"* (refrain)

*Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King;
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.*

*I sing for joy at the work of Your hands, forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand,
nothing compares to the promise I have in You.*

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 ~ Isaiah 25:1-9

Special Music

Christian Scripture ~ Philippians 4:1-9

Message ~ "Rejoice Always?"

*Hymn #743 ~ "Step by Step" (x2)

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

Congregational Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

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 #465 ~ "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

*Benediction

*Choral Response ~ "You Shall Go Out with Joy"

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;

the mountains and the hills will break forth before you; there'll be shouts of joy,

and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands;

the trees of the field will clap their hands while you go out with joy.

Postlude ~ "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

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The flowers are presented today by Judy McGregor in memory of Kathleen Sedor.

Word has been received of the death on October 8 of Doris Knecht at the age of 100.

No further details are available at this time.

The Celebration Choir will participate in the Grace Bible Chapel Anniversary Service TODAY, at 3:00PM. All are invited to the service at 27345 Schoolcraft Rd., Redford 48239. (SE corner of Schoolcraft and Inkster- former VFW Hall)

The **Great Pumpkin Fall Fun Fest** will be **Saturday, October 21st** from **4-6pm!** All our favorites will be happening...Trunk or Treat, Holy Ghost Weiner Roast, Wart on a Warthog (with Playdoh instead of gum!) and much more! There will be a **raffle** for some fun fall prizes! All the

kids get a free raffle ticket, but if you bring a **canned good to donate to the hungry in our community**, you get an **extra ticket!** The whole family is encouraged to come with their families, in costume if you like, to have an amazing time celebrating this beautiful season that God has fashioned for our enjoyment!

Here is how you can help...

- 1) Bring your car to be a part of **Trunk or Treat!** You can decorate or not, but bring treats for at least 50! Sign up in the lobby!
- 2) Or...plan to **help with activities & games inside or out.** Sign up in the lobby!
- 3) **Donate**...fall refreshments, hot dogs, buns, a cornstake bundle, a bale of straw, 5 small white/gray pumpkins or 5 small orange pumpkins, a few large pumpkins for decoration, a bag of Tootsie Pops. Contact Kathy Potter, at 313-719-8467 or christianeducator@stpaulspresbyterian.church if you plan to donate any of these items!
- 4) **Get the word out!!!** Share it with your friends, family, neighbors!! If you have a neighborhood website, put it out there!
- 5) **Pray for children & families to come out to hear of the good news God has given us in Jesus!**

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.

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



Steve Boyak, Bill Garvey, Mike Graham, Janet Frank, Grace Erwin
August and Faith Kornowicz,
Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, 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 (MSU shooting victim) ~ 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; 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
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 the late 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