



United Presbyterian Church

1701 East Second Street Bloomington, Indiana 47401

Sunday, October 23, 2022

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United Presbyterian Church Worship Guide
 October 23, 2022 – Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder Allen Pease



Sanctuary flowers are placed by John & Colleen Swanson in celebration of their 49th wedding anniversary.

Sanctuary flowers throughout October are placed by Gerrit & Vera Heitink in celebration of the 101st year of Vera's mother, Nora vander Heijden

PRELUDE *Prelude in G Minor BWV 808—J.S. Bach* Benjamin Watkins, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

Deacon Vera Heitink, liturgist

Liturgist: Listen to the voice of God; listen to God's teaching.

People: Tell of God's glorious deeds, God's wonders and might.

Liturgist: God splits open rocks in the wilderness and gives drink.

People: God causes waters to flow like rivers.

Liturgist: Let us worship this God of plenty, God of peace and joy and love.



PASSING OF THE PEACE

Liturgist: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Liturgist: Let us share the peace with one another.

***Opening Hymn**

Amazing Grace

#280

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison with Liturgist)

God of wonder and might, we come to you now to confess our failing. We fall short of your will for us. We complain and doubt your presence with us. We doubt that you will provide for us as we need it. We grumble. Forgive us our failure of faith. Forgive us our lack of nerve to stand up for you when we know it is the right thing to do. Forgive us our failure to believe enough in your unfailing love to trust that you are with us. Fill us with your love so we may witness to your goodness and mercy in all of life. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (Liturgist)

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

Ephesians 4:32; Mathew 18: 21-22; Mark 11: 24-25; Colossians 3: 13-14

Liturgist: The word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

MUSIC for MEDITATION
Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive
 Benjamin Watkins, piano



Homily

Jesus was Lousy at Math

James Haverstock

AFFIRMATION of FAITH – The Apostles Creed (traditional) led by Elder Don Root
 I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER Elder Don Root
 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.

CALL TO OFFERING Elder Don Root

*Closing Hymn *Blessed Assurance* #341

CHARGE AND BLESSING Elder Don Root

POSTLUDE *How Firm a Foundation* Benjamin Watkins, piano

*Stand if you are able

UPC Prayer List - Email requests to: upcbloomington@gmail.com.

The family of Esther Ham (dear friend of Vera Heitink) as they mourn her loss

Yoshi & Ihoko Yoshida Shea Henry Olivia McKenzie Betty Thacker Nora vander Heijden

Cathy Junken Rev. David Rosen Anita Steverson Berta Wenneker

Founded in 1874, **United Presbyterian Church** serves the southern Indiana town of Laconia in Harrison County. In the 2020 U.S. Census, the population of Laconia was 70. One Sunday a month (usually the first Sunday of the month), 10-15 assemble to worship and glorify God. We meet at the Laconia Civic Center across from our church because we had to close our building due to structural damage. It's a family church with most members related to one another in some way. Ages range from preschool to 90 years. Although it is small in number, we're big in heart and mission. We support the community food pantry and local school. Our worship style is welcoming, informal and all are welcome.

Join us for food and fellowship immediately after the service on the lower level.

Fifth Sunday at UPC

In July, the Worship Team's first Fifth Sunday was a great time of food, fun and fellowship as well as hearing wonderful music. Our second Fifth Sunday is also Reformation Sunday.

October 30

Worship! Fellowship! Music!

Reformation Sunday 10 a.m. morning worship service will feature

the debut of the

UPC Quartet.

A vocal ensemble comprised of Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass, the Quartet will be UPC's resident vocal group, performing challenging and inspiring music from the Western repertoire and beyond, while enhancing congregational hymn singing. Music for this Reformation Sunday will feature repertoire from the English Reformation by Thomas Tallis, as well as original compositions by Martin Luther.

We'll break for the fellowship of a pitch-in lunch hosted by the Worship Team in Fellowship Hall. A sign-up will be posted for those who would like to bring a dish.

About 12:15, we'll return to the UPC Sanctuary.

Fifth Sunday Concert

Music Director Benjamin Watkins performing

"Opera at the Piano"

Benjamin will introduce each opera and give a bit of background on the work before performing each of several virtuoso transcriptions.

This will be an interesting, fun, family friendly event to which you can invite friend's, neighbors, co-workers and relatives so they may experience our diversity, faith in Christ and food prepared by hearts and hands of the friends and members of Unitewd Presbyterian Church.