

United Presbyterian Church  
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**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**     **Reverend Cheryl Montgomery**

**PRELUDE**

BWV 870–J.S. Bach  
Benjamin Watkins, piano



**Today's Sanctuary Flowers** are placed by Vera & Gerrit Heitink in loving memory of Vera's three sisters-in-law.

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Elder Don Root, liturgist

Liturgist: I will bless the Lord at all times;


**People: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

Liturgist: O magnify the Lord with me,

**People: and let us exalt God's name together.**

**\*Opening Hymn**     *All Creatures of Our God and King*     #455

**PASSING OF THE PEACE** (liturgist & congregation)

 Liturgist: Jesus says, "I am the bread of life." In the name of Christ, I invite you to share the peace of Christ, the one who brings new life and nourishment to our souls. The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**MUSIC for MEDITATION**

**Call to Confession** (Liturgist)

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, confessing our sins before God and one another.

**Prayer of Confession** (in unison with liturgist)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not lived as your faithful children. We have been angry with the world and nursed grudges against our adversaries. We have hoarded the fruits of our labors rather than share our bounty with the needy. We have not built up our neighbors with words of kindness but have indulged in evil gossip. We have not forgiven the wrongs others have done, even though we desire your forgiveness toward us in Jesus Christ. Heal us, O God, and give us the grace to love as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

Liturgist: Let us put away bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving

one another, as God in Christ has forgiven us. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

**Prayer for Illumination** (liturgist)

Almighty God, as we hear your gracious Word, make us hungry for Jesus, your holy manna, that we may feed on him, the bread of life. Amen.

**First Reading:** *I Kings 19: 3-8* (pew Bible p.266; large print p.546) Liturgist

**Second Reading:** *Ephesians 4: 25 – 5:2* (pew Bible p.892; large print p.1802) Liturgist

**Gospel Reading:** *John 6: 35, 41-51* (Pew Bible p.815; large print p.1643) Rev. Montgomery

Pastor: The word of the Lord      **People: Thanks be to God**

**SERMON**

*The Living Bread*

Reverend Cheryl Montgomery

**Hymn:**

*Hope of the World*

#360

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—** The Apostles' Creed (traditional) led Rev. Montgomery  
**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.**

*Gloria Patri*      #579

**Prayers of the People**

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**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 for the Offering**

Offertory

*\*Doxology*      #592

Prayer of Dedication – Rev. Cheryl Montgomery

**\*Closing Hymn**

*Behold the Goodness of Our Lord*

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**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

Reverend Cheryl Montgomery

## POSTLUDE

*Rain Down*

Benjamin Watkins, piano

\*Please stand if you are able

**UPC Prayer List** - Email requests to: [upcbloomington@gmail.com](mailto:upcbloomington@gmail.com).

Kathleen Olds Anita Steverson Roby Lorimer

His Eyes Mission in Honduras led by Valerie & Felipe Colby

Nyaka AIDS Orphans Project in Uganda led by Jackson Kaguri

The people of Nigeria, Georgia, Ukraine and Middle East

Our military men and women around the world

The faculty and staff of Monroe County United Ministries

Henryville **Community Presbyterian Church** is part of Southern Hills Parish. For many years, the Henryville congregation has celebrated Pentecost with "Church in the Woods" in Clark State Forest. Our local food pantry is a major mission, but we also support Heifer International, Habitat for Humanity and many local missions as well as national missions. Our "4th Tuesday Soup Lunch" is a place for people to meet for fellowship and "Soup" at no charge.

# The Colby's & His Eyes!

Next Sunday, Valerie & Felipe Colby will catch us up on His Eyes Clinic & Mission in Honduras. They've been working there for 20+ years. UPC is a longtime supporter of His Eyes and the Colby's are longtime members of UPC. Valerie is a graduate of the IU School of Optometry. The amazing growth and challenges in establishing and operating His Eyes are a blessing. The Worship Team invites all to lunch after the service where you'll have the opportunity to meet and speak directly to the Colby's. They will also have their great Honduran Hillclimber Coffee for sale to benefit His Eyes.



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