

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

October 6, 2024

10:00 AM

Prelude: O God Our Help In Ages Past Rita Pittman
Welcome and Announcements Rev. Jonathon Kosec

*** Call to Worship**

Pastor: This is the day that you have made, Lord.

People: Help us to rejoice in it and be glad!

Pastor: Remind us of the privileges as your people:

People: To come to you in these moments, to confess our sins, to receive forgiveness of sin and give it, to pray and sing and listen, to renew our fainting hearts, and to rest in all your promises.

Pastor: Open our eyes to see you, Lord and open our ears to hear your Word.

People: Visit us through your Holy Spirit and help us to celebrate our faith. Amen.

* Hymn # 680. "I Love to Tell The Story"

* Invocation

Offering Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Lesson James 4:1-10 Sara Forsman

Today's Message: "Let's Draw Closer to God" Rev. Kosec

Confession of Faith: The Apostle's Creed. (Selection 879)

Hymn #535. "Break Now the Bread of Life"

Prayers of the Church

- A Moment of Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion

- Invitation to the Supper
- Words of Institution
- Prayer of Consecration

- Distribution of the Bread and the Cup
- The Communion Charge

* Closing Hymn # 676. "Go My Children with My Blessing"

*** Benediction**

Postlude: People Need the Lord Rita Pittman
*** You may choose to stand or remain seated.**

CHURCH LIFE

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Diane and Dave Carl in honor of their anniversary.

WELCOME TO YOU ALL: We are happy you chose to be with us this morning! Please be certain you sign our attendance sheets on the rear table before you leave. In our celebration of Communion this morning, all are invited to share. We distribute each element and all join in partaking them at the same time.

PRAYER REQUESTS: If you have a special prayer request this morning, let Pastor Jon know before worship begins and it will be included. Thank you.

FOOD DONATIONS - Next Sunday is the food collection for the South County Food Pantry. Any and all canned foods and dry goods will be appreciated. Thank you for your generosity.

HURRICANE HELP: Now is a great time to make sure we are practicing being good neighbors! No one should be all alone facing the difficulties from Hurricane Helene so we should all reach out to make sure people are being connected with the help they need. It might be you, it might be your neighbor, it might be here, it might be elsewhere-all that being said, you are not alone, and you should reach out to help yourself or others connect with the help that is there.

BIRTHDAYS

Bruce Bartter 10/8

ANNIVERSARY

David & Diane Carl 10/9

SCRIPTURE READING

James 4:1-10 (New Living Translation)

What is causing the quarrels and fights among you? Don't they come from the evil desires at war within you? You want what you don't have, so you scheme and kill to get it. You are jealous of what others have, but you can't get it, so you fight and wage war to take it away from them. Yet you don't have what you want because you don't ask God for it. And even when you ask, you don't get it because your motives are all wrong—you want only what will give you pleasure.

You adulterers! Don't you realize that friendship with the world makes you an enemy of God? I say it again: If you want to be a friend of the world, you make yourself an enemy of God. Do you think the Scriptures have no meaning? They say that God is passionate that the spirit he has placed within us should be faithful to him. And he gives grace generously. As the Scriptures say,

"God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

So, humble yourselves before God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Come close to God, and God will come close to you. Wash your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world. Let there be tears for what you have done. Let there be sorrow and deep grief. Let there be sadness instead of laughter, and gloom instead of joy. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up in honor.

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Usher/Greeters:

Pat Williamson, George Alexander
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