

Sunday Worship

October 15, 2023

11:00 am

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**11:00 am
Traditional Service**



October 15, 2023

20th Sunday after Pentecost

We are called by Jesus Christ to worship, make disciples, and serve.

Welcome

Rev. Carol L. Pazdersky

Centering our Hearts on God

Gracious God, in mercy you have thrown open the doors and welcomed me as a beloved child. With praise and thanksgiving, I give myself to you fully and completely. Use my body, use my mind, use my love, and use my resources to share your grace with others. Receive this as my worship. Amen.

Prelude

Gary Lushbaugh – Music Director

Call to Worship

Cheryl Kempler (8:30), Frank Long (11:00)

The depth, breadth and height of God's creation knows no bounds

We are called to be stewards of God's world.

Who is exempt from the love of God?

No one is beyond God's love. Even when we turn away, God still pours love upon us.

God, heal us with your love, encourage us with your presence, and strengthen us to serve you.

Be with us today and grow us in spirit and knowledge!

Let us worship in word, prayer, and song the God of our salvation!

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (Refrain)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

Prayer of Honesty and Hope

God of infinite mercy: **Forgive those times in which we turned our backs on you by turning away from others.** (*Reflection and confession.*) We let ourselves get distracted. **Schedules rule over us, activities drain us, health preoccupies us, and feelings sidetrack us. We have nothing left for you or your Kingdom.** (*Reflection and confession.*) Light a fire under us and within us, O God. **Let us once again feel the excitement and challenge of being your people. Heal us from indifference and apathy, give us purpose and focus, and guide us in the footsteps of our Lord and Savior, Jesus.**

Our God is patient and persistent. God is with us, healing and restoring our lives and giving us peace. In the name of Jesus, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God for this good news!

Anthem

“Softly and Tenderly”

arr. J. Raney

Chancel Choir

*Choir music given in loving memory of
Anita Anderson by Cathy Zink.*

*We welcome the son of Sara and Babak Delkhoon,
Henry Lee Delkhoon
into the family of faith!*

Song of Blessing (11:00)

“ God Claims You”

TFWS 2249

Henry, Henry, God claims you,
God helps you, protects you, and loves you too.

We this day do all agree
a child of God you'll always be.

Henry, Henry, God claims you,
God helps you, protects you, and loves you too.

We your family love you so,
we vow to help your faith to grow.

Henry, Henry, God claims you,
God helps you, protects you, and loves you too.

We are here to say this day
that we will help you on your way.

Henry, Henry, God claims you,
God helps you, protects you, and loves you too.

And if you should tire or cry
then we will sing this lullaby.

*Gospel Lesson

Matthew 22:1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again, he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main

streets and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so, the wedding hall was filled with guests. “But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

Message

Dressed for Success

*Hymn of Response

“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

UMH 121

There’s a wideness in God’s mercy
like the wideness of the sea;
there’s a kindness in God’s justice,
which is more than liberty.

There is welcome for the sinner,
and more graces for the good!
There is mercy with the Savior;
there is healing in his blood.

For the love of God is broader
than the measure of our mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more simple,
we should rest upon God’s word;
and our lives would be illumined
by the presence of our Lord.

Offering our Best to God

Offertory

*Doxology with Alleluias

UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

Our loving God of Invitation: **Accept the gifts of gratitude we offer today. Use our wisdom, wealth, and work to invite all to experience your grace. Multiply these offerings to change the world and bring peace, justice, hope, and help in all places. We pray in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

Sharing our Lives

Andy Brawn (11:00)

Community Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. 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 of Commitment

"Together We Serve"

TFWS 2175

Together we serve, united by love,
inviting God's world to the glorious feast.
We work, and we pray through sorrow and joy,
extending your love to the last and the least.

We seek to become a beacon of hope,
a lamp for the heart and a light for the feet.
We learn, year by year, to let love shine through
until we see Christ in each person we meet.

We welcome the scarred, the wealthy, the poor,
the busy, the lonely, and all who need care.
We offer a home to those who will come,
our hands quick to help, our hearts ready to dare.

Together, by grace, we witness and work,
remembering Jesus, in whom we grow strong.
Together we serve in Spirit and truth,
remembering love is the strength of our song.

***Blessing**

Build a fire under us and within us, O Lord.

Let us go forth with joy to serve you and your people.

In the name of Jesus, we go in strength, grace, and peace.

Amen.

Postlude

Also serving the community in worship:

Greeters – Joyce Kraft (8:30), Liz McDonold (XP), Andy Brawn & Karen Warren (11:00)

Ushers – Joyce Kraft (8:30), Carol Ann Ruth & John Gregory (11:00)

Acolytes – Leah Klemm & Maggie Taylor (11:00)

Tech Support – Jacob Smith (XP), Winston Bain (11:00), Cheryl Kempler (ZOOM)

Counting Team – Cheryl Kempler, Joyce Kraft, Anita Obinger

Sunday School Superintendents – Cheryl Welsh & Michele Taylor

Adult Studies Facilitator – Sue Garrison

WELCOME TO CAMP CHAPEL! We trust that your worship time will bless you. If you are visiting with us today and received a Welcome Packet, please fill in the visitor card and drop it in the offering plate this morning. If you have not yet received a Welcome Packet, please request one as you leave today.

KNOWN PRAYER CONCERNS WITHIN THE CONGREGATION

<u>Insiders</u>	<u>Hospitalized</u>	<u>Recovering</u>	<u>Special Concerns</u>	<u>Recently Bereaved</u>
Dottie DeCarlo Helen Fringo Bob Knight Florence Littleton James Morris		Shirley Curtain Dave Kalendek George Krause Debbie Porter Jackie Potter Cheryl Stephens	Larry Daubert Ruth Diggs Marvin Gyr Nancy Stark	Margaret Baker sister of Betty Day The Crawford Family

CROP HUNGER WALK TODAY – October 15. CROP Walk supports the mission of Church World Services. We raise money to fight hunger in our community and around the world. Of the funds we raise, 25% will go to our local food pantry. Our walk starts at 2:30 at Camp Chapel. We will walk about 2 miles to Perry Hall UM Church and back to our start. There we will have restrooms and snacks and water. Use the link below to donate so that Camp Chapel walkers will receive credit for their efforts.

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/team/camp-chapel-umc-youth-group>

SHREDDING FUNDRAISER - Saturday, October 21, 10:00 am–12:00 pm, \$10 per box. Have your sensitive documents safely shredded without staples or paper clips!

CROCHET MINISTRY - Saturday, October 21, 1:00–3:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. This is a free event. Our teacher will teach and help you. Crochet hooks, yarn and all supplies are provided at no cost. Come as often as you wish, no commitment. We meet on the third Saturday of each month.

PUMPKIN PAINTING – Sunday, October 22, 2:00-4:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. Free event for the entire family. All supplies provided. Refreshments. Reservations required. Register online at <https://campchapel.org/event/pumpkin-painting/>

ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT – Friday, October 27 at 7 pm at Eastern Regional Family Resource Center, 9150 Franklin Square Drive, 21237. Camp Chapel is participating again this year. You can help by donating candy, decorations, new or gently used costumes (all sizes), small pumpkins to decorate. Donations needed by Sunday, October 22. Please contact Angela Gaskin regarding any of the donation items. agaskin5525@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - – If you are interested or have questions, contact April Stevens by Saturday, October 21, at 410-736-9781 or astevens@canconnects.org.

CPR TRAINING – Sunday, October 29, at 12:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. Free basic CPR training is offered at no charge to anyone interested. Training will be conducted by Sue Wallace, one of Camp Chapel's retired Registered Nurses. There is no age minimum or maximum. No previous CPR training or certification required. Training in utilizing the Automatic External Defibrillator will also be offered. If you are interested in participating, contact Mike Ryan at 410-303-0517 by Sunday, October 22.