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Sunday, June 26, 2022



The Reverend Tracy S. Daub, Pastor John P. Novak, Organist and Minister of Music

Services are live-streamed on YouTube at: https://tinyurl.com/upcbuffalo

3rd Sunday after Pentecost, June 26, 2022 Service for the Lord's Day 10:30 am

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

(In order that people may listen to the music or pray in silence without distraction, please refrain from conversation after the music begins and kindly silence all cell phones. Thank you.)

(Children of all ages are welcome to remain in worship. A playroom is available near the sanctuary for young children who are accompanied by their parents. A nursery supervisor can be arranged if you request one from an usher.)

Prayer Requests: If you have a prayer request which you would like the pastor to include in "Prayers of the People," please fill out the yellow prayer request slip found in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate when passed. Ushers will take them from the plate and when the offering is brought forward, hand them to the Pastor.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing arr. C. Phillips

*Call to Worship (please stand, if able)

One: We gather as a community led by the Spirit.

All: Your way, O God, is holy.

One: Pick up the mantle of faith and follow Christ today.

All: Your way, O God, is holy.

One: Set our feet in the way of Jesus Christ,

that we may walk in love, compassion, and peace.

All: Your way, O God, is holy.

One: Let us worship the One who shows us the Way

to abundant life.

+* Hymn #388 Come All You People (sung twice)

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, you want the best for us. How disappointing it must be when we fail to be the kind of devoted followers that you need. You know the needs of this world and the capability we have in bringing hope and healing. Yet we are hesitant in our commitment to you and reluctant to walk your way. We desire good things for others. And yet we often fail to act. Forgive us, O God for our failures and for doubting your presence and power within us. Lift us from lives of self-centeredness. Empower us to be agents of your love. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

(There follows a moment of silent personal confession)

Assurance of God's Grace

One: No matter how often we forget, fail, or stray from God, God stands ready to forgive and has the power to raise us to new life. God's love transforms us and sets us free.

All: Thanks be to God!

+* Song of Praise (in unison)
Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and every shall be. Amen.

*Sharing the Peace and Greetings As God's forgiven people we extend the peace of Christ to one another. Worshippers may bless one another with God's peace using the American Sign Language sign for "peace."

+*Sung response (sung to the tune of Hymn 400) (In unison)
Shalom to you now, shalom my friends.
May God's full mercies, bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination (In unison)

May these words be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path, so that we may follow the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Amen.

First Scripture Lesson: Psalm 16 (read antiphonally)

Left: Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

Right: As for the holy ones in the land,

they are the noble, in whom is all my delight.

Left: Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out

or take their names upon my lips. **Right:** The Lord is my chosen porti

Right: The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.

Left: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

Right: I keep the Lord always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Left: Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;

my body also rests secure.

Right: For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit.

All: You show me the path of life.

In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Second Scripture Lesson: Luke 9:51-62 (p. 70 of the NT in pew

Bible)

One: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

Musical Proclamation *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*Brandon Mecklenburg, baritone arr. T. Trenney

Sermon *Asterisks"

I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus, No turning back, no turning back *Hymn #720

Jesus Calls Us

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Musical Offering

Doxology (Hymn 592) (In unison)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above ye heavenly host; Creator, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication of Offering

Recognition of Graduates:

Abby Wadkins-Daub and Clark Whitefield

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

......(concluding with 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 #726 Will You Come And Follow Me

*Benediction

Postlude Allegro Maestoso from Water Music G. F. Handel (The congregation is invited to remain seated during the Postlude)

*congregation may stand +latecomers may be seated

Participating in Worship: The Rev. Tracy S. Daub, Pastor

John P. Novak, Organist/Minister of Music

Vicki Moorhouse, Liturgist

Greeters: Scott Horton, Val Macer, Robert Hallborg

Live streamer: David Bartley

Next week: Liturgist:

Greeters: Tom Somerville, Barbara Kraemer, Sharon Melius

Live streamer: Val Macer

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Sunday, June 26		Worship Service Fellowship Hour
Monday, June 27	11:00 am 11:00 am 1:30 pm	Church Open for Prayer Worship & Education Meeting Mobile Food Pantry @ Trinity Methodist Church
Tuesday, June 28	•	Food Pantry Open Membership Meeting
Wednesday, June 29	11:00 pm	Church Open for Prayer
Thursday, June 30	12:00 pm	Food Pantry Open
Friday, July 1	5:30 pm	Taize
Sunday, July 3	10:30 am	Worship Service



Welcome Visitors

University Presbyterian Church (UPC), its members and officers, welcomes you today. Your presence strengthens our faith and our commitment as Christ's disciples. Please take a moment to sign the friendship pad located in your pew and pass it along to those beside you during the offertory.

University Presbyterian Church welcomes all who seek to follow the Way of Jesus—the way of compassion and justice—regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, or gender identification. Moreover, UPC does not discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation in celebrating the rites of marriage.

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Mission Statement of University Presbyterian Church

We are a hungry people who receive Christ, the Bread of Life, who sustains us on our journey. We strive to feed as we are fed, sharing the Bread to nourish others in body, mind and spirit.

"Let Us Be Bread"