

Celebration of Worship

* Stand as you are able.

We Gather as God's People — 17th Sunday after Pentecost, **September 27, 2020**

Welcome!! If you came this morning seeking, we pray you will leave having found faith, hope, love, friendship — **Christ!** If you are without a church home, we invite you to join our faith community. *Due to COVID-19 and per CDC recommendations, we are practicing social distancing and wearing face masks.*

Prelude

Acolyte—Lighting of the Candle

Welcome and Announcements

Leslie Faraci

Please read the announcements printed on the back of the bulletin.

Opening Hymn "He Is Lord"

* Call to Worship

L: As people of Christ.

P: We seek to be of the same mind as Christ.

L: As people of Christ,

P: We seek to have the same love as Christ.

L: As people of Christ,

P: We seek to do nothing out of selfish ambition or conceit

L: As people of Christ,

P: We seek to look to the interests of others.

L: As people of Christ,

P: We come together this morning to proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord!

ALL: Let us worship joyfully!

(You may be seated)

Pastoral Prayer

(Unison) The Lord's Prayer (See Insert)

Praise Hymn

"Precious Name"

Due to the COVID-19 Virus, we will not pass the offering plate. The offering plate is near the rear of the Sanctuary. You can put in your offerings as you enter worship or as you exit worship.

Celebration of Worship (Continued)

* Doxology

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

* Prayer for the Offering

Leslie Faraci

Hymn of Preparation

"Jesus, Name above All Names"

Scripture Lesson

"Philippians 2:1-11"

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God!

Message

"The Attitude of Christ"

Rev. Maurice Horne

Hymn

"Bind Us Together"

Acolyte—Extinguishing of the Candle

* Closing Hymn

"God Be with You till We Meet Again"

Benediction

Postlude



Church office hours this week — Wednesday & Thursday, 10am—3pm

Staff:

Pastor:

Rev. Maurice Horne

Administrative Assistant:

Irene Sanchez

Director of Music:

Judy White

Custodian:

Cecelia Tamm

Today's Hymns

"He Is Lord"

He is Lord, he is Lord! He is risen from the dead and he is Lord! Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

"Precious Name"

Take the name of Jesus with you, child of sorrow and of woe; it will joy and comfort give you; take it then, where e're you go.

Refrain: Precious name (precious name), O how sweet! (O how sweet!) Hope of earth and joy of heaven. Precious name, (precious name), O how sweet! (O how sweet, how sweet!) Hope of earth and joy of heaven.

Take the name of Jesus ever, as a shield from every snare; temptations round you gather, breathe that holy name in prayer. Refrain.

O the precious name of Jesus! How it thrills our souls with joy, when his loving arms receive us, and His songs our tongues employ! Refrain.

At the name of Jesus bowing, falling prostrate at His feet, King of kings in heaven we'll crown him when our journey is complete. Refrain.

"Jesus, Name above All Names"

Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord. Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, living Word.

"Bind Us Together"

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord, bind us together in love. There is only one God, there is only one King; There is only one body, that is why we sing. Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord, bind us together in love.

"God Be with You till We Meet Again"

God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with he sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

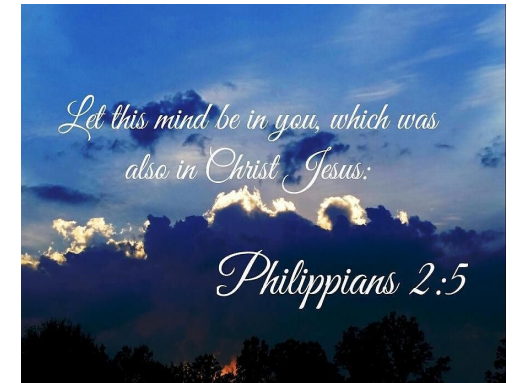
Refrain: Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus; feet: Till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again; keep love's banner floating o'er you, smite death's threatening wave before you. Refrain.

Today's Scripture Reading

Philippians 2:1-11 (NLT)

Is there any encouragement from belonging to Christ? Any comfort from his love? Any fellowship together in the Spirit? Are your hearts tender and compassionate? Then make me truly happy by agreeing wholeheartedly with each other, loving one another, and working together with one mind and purpose. Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too. You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form, he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross. Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honor and gave him the name above all other names, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.



ATTITUDE by Charles Swindoll

The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do.

It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill.

It will make or break a company....a church....a home.

The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for the day. We cannot change our past...we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way.

We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude...

I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it. And so it is with you...we are in charge of our attitude.

Coming this week at St. Paul UMC!

Today — Sunday 9/27

9:45 am — Morning Worship

Monday — 9/28

6:00 pm — Bible Study

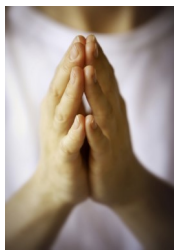
Thursday — 10/1

6:00pm — Virtual Meet and Greet

Sunday — 10/4

9:45 am — Morning Worship

- ♥ *Remember to contact Pastor Horne if you're interested in participating in the bible study about the journeys of Paul. If you do plan to participate in the Bible study, please pick up material on the table in the sanctuary and email Pastor Horne for the invitation.*
- ♥ *Join Pastor Horne on Tuesday for the "Meet and Greet". This is a wonderful chance for us to get to know YOU without masks and a chance for members and friends to ask questions and share stories. Email Pastor Horne for the invitation and let him know you're interested in this virtual getting to know you time of fellowship.*
- ♥ *The virtual book study, "Finding Peace in an Anxious World", will begin Tuesday, October 6 at 7pm and run for 5 weeks. The book can be purchased on most digital formats or soft-cover books are available in the church office for \$10. If you're interested in joining or have questions, contact Marjorie Kumar at zorrokumar1@aol.com.*



Keep in your prayers the following people:

Mary Parker, The Lowell Family at the passing of Peggy, The Doxtader Family at the passing of Bill, Ken Wright

Prayers, are also requested for:

Barbara Bluhm, Rev. Michelle Gentile, Ruth Isca, Bill Johns, Dorothy Kelchner, Helen Vaillencourt, Chris Drouillard



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