

*Salem in Ballwin
United Methodist Church*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

January 19, 2020 10:00 AM

Please sign the registration pad at the end of the pew and pass it to the next person.

*Speak, Lord,
your servant is listening.
1 Samuel 3:9*

THOUGHT UPON ENTERING

“That the LORD called Samuel: and he answered, Here *am* I.” 1 Samuel 3:4 KJV Good communication is a true art form. The first challenge is to form the message to be perfectly clear; the second and greater challenge is to find someone willing to listen. Perhaps the listener may be reluctant to hear what is about to be said or may have many different messages competing for attention. God’s messages may come through visions, thoughts, or feelings at any time. Prepare an open mind and an open heart to hear.

WELCOME

PRELUDE “Alleluia! By Mozart” - flute and piano

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

(adapted from James 3 and Romans 12)

Leader: How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire!

People: And the tongue is a fire.

Leader: With it we bless the Lord and Father.

People: And use it to curse those who are made in God's image. From the same mouth comes blessing and cursing.

Leader: My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Let this hour of worship inspire us to bridle our tongues.

People: And use them to build up one another in peace and love.

***OPENING PRAYER**

Leader: O God, give to the Church a new vision and a new charity, new wisdom and fresh understanding, the revival of her brightness and the renewal of her unity; that the eternal message of your Son, undefiled by human traditions, may be received as the good news of the new age; through him who makes all things new.

ALL: Amen.

***OPENING HYMN #73** “O Worship the King”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Most merciful God, we have done little to forward your kingdom in this world, to foster brotherhood and sisterhood in the human family, or to establish love as the law of life. We have allowed self to blind us, pains to embitter us. We have forgotten that whatever is done to one of the least of your children is also done to you. Pardon our shortcomings, forgive our neglect; give us pure hearts intent on pleasing you. Help us in all our seeking to seek first your kingdom and your righteousness. And

make us to come, as Christ came, not to be served but to serve. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

ANTHEM

“Here I Am, Lord, I have Heard You Calling in the Night” - Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

I Samuel 3:1-10 (RSV)

***GLORIA PATRI #71**

***GOSPEL READING**

Matthew 22:1-14 (RSV)

***A STATEMENT OF FAITH** Hymnal #884

HYMN OF PREPARATION (on screen)

MESSAGE “Who’s Calling” Pastor Ken Gottman

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

“Go Down, Moses” - flute and piano

***DOXOLOGY**

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

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

***CLOSING HYMN #580** “Lead on, O King Eternal”

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“Ev’ry Time I Feel the Spirit” -flute and piano

**All are welcome at our Fellowship Luncheon
immediately following the service in Duff Hall.**

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Fellowship Coordinator - Charlotte Meshell

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Flutist - Jennifer Adams

Coming up Next Week

AARP 7am-4 pm Duff Hall Tuesday-Friday

Monday, January 20

Office Closed

Quilters 9:00 am Duff Hall

Woodcarvers 7:00 pm Duff Hall

Tuesday, January 21

Scouts 5:30 pm Koinonia

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Wednesday, January 22

Prayer Group 5:45 pm

Choir 7:00 pm

Thursday, January 23

Cards 12:00 pm Duff Hall

Saturday, January 25

Woodcarvers 8:00 am Duff Hall

We believe in the Power of Prayer

Our Members Needing Prayers

Miles Stewart; The Holt family; Charlotte Meshell; Jeanne Williams; Peggy Araki; Mike Groves; Roger Crabtree; Betty Caswell; Donna Flora; Velma Buermann; Lila Poertner; Wayne and Virginia Jordan;

Our Family and Friends Needing Prayers

The Roe’s niece’s husband Fred; Denise Kelley’s nephew recently passed away; The Carden family; John & Betty Roe’s friend Barb passed away; Janice Noel’s niece and family; Rachele Holt’s Aunt Frances; Beth Earnest; The Godsey’s son and Jana Jones brother Alan; Alice Krechel’s brother Lawrence;

Our Community

The turmoil in the UMC; All people fighting cancer and other diseases; The Ballwin Police Department and all First Responders; Francisco Queniasse, our seminary student in Mozambique; all dealing with mental health issues; The Fold Children’s Home

Those in our Armed Forces

Michael Suozzi is in the Navy and is currently stationed in San Diego; Kyle Roe is stationed in Yankeetown, Florida with the Coast Guard.

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