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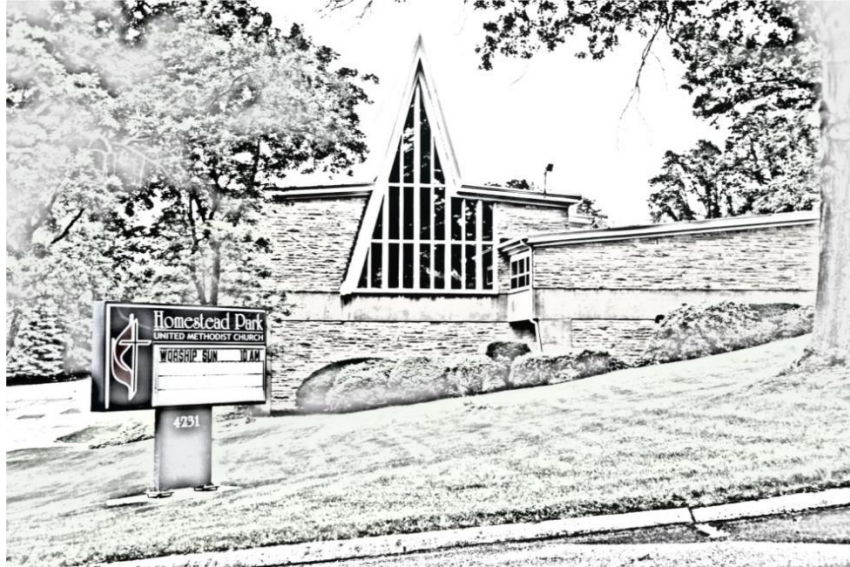
**Season after Pentecost**

**Message**

**“But First ... Let Me Do  
Something Else!”**

**Scripture:**

**Luke 9: 51-62 NIV**



*Our Mission*

*The mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world.*

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**Season after Pentecost**

**HOMESTEAD PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

August 22, 2021 10:00 am Worship

Pastor Don Kephart ~ Bo Collins, Music Director

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*OPENING PRAYER (unison)**

Creator God, we ask that you meet us here. You know that our lives are often challenging and even chaotic, just as there was chaos before your creation. You are a God of wonders. Bring wonder to this hour and create new in us. Come Lord Jesus, Come be with us! Amen.

**Call to Worship (responsive)**

Pastor: Let us remember the stories of God's power and presence.

**People: Let us remember the ways God has been our Provider.**

Pastor: Let us thank God for gifts and grace.

**People: Let us thank God for love and care.**

**All: Let us hope in the Lord forever. Amen.**

**SONGS OF PRAISE**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Offertory

**Doxology**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**OUR TIME OF PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**SONG OF PRAISE**

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\* Please stand as you are able.

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**SCRIPTURE**

**Luke 9: 51-62 NIV**

51 As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. 52 And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; 53 but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. 54 When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, “Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?” 55 But Jesus turned and rebuked them. 56 Then he and his disciples went to another village.

57 As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.”

58 Jesus replied, “Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.”

59 He said to another man, “Follow me.”

But he replied, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.”

60 Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God.”

61 Still another said, “I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family.”

62 Jesus replied, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God.”

**MESSAGE**

**“But First ... Let Me Do Something Else!”**

Pastor Don Kephart

**HYMN OF DEDICATION**

# 389 Freely, Freely

**BENEDICTION**

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*Worship for today is over, but your service to God for the week is just beginning.*



## Calendar of Events

Today	10 am	Worship Service
Today	11 am	Sunday School Program Meeting (All welcome!)
Tuesday 08/24/21	7 pm	<i>Tuesday in the "Word"</i> Bible Study - Ruth (Upstairs Annex Fellowship Room)
Wednesday 08/25/21	6 pm	SPRC Meeting
Wednesday 08/25/21	7 pm	Church Council Meeting
Saturday 08/28/21	9:30 am	Homeless Lunch Prep



Prayers and thoughts go out to Marge and Bill Kennedy. Please remember them with a card. Directories are available in the Narthex.

**Please note that our Pittsburgh District Superintendent is requesting that we follow the most recent CDC protocol to wear a mask indoors during worship and all other inside activities.**

**Thank you for your cooperation!**



## and Important Dates

Sunday 08/22/21	Homeless Lunch Delivery
Sunday 09/05/21	Fall Community Day Planning Meeting (All welcome!)

### A Note from Pastor Don

Members and Friends, Please contact me directly by cell phone text or email if you need to speak with me. My contact information is located in the bulletin as well as on the business cards in the back of the Sanctuary. Thank you.



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### Holy Communion Schedule

Holy Communion will be held on the **first Sunday of February, June, August, October, and December**, as well as on **Maundy Thursday**.