



September 27, 2020

Season after Pentecost

**Message
The Bitter and the Better!**

**Scripture:
Jeremiah 8: 18 - 9:1 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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HOMESTEAD PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 27, 2020 10:00 am Worship

Pastor Don Kephart ~ Bo Collins, Music Director

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING PRAYER**

Righteous God let your compassion come quickly to meet us, for we are brought low in our need. Our spirits are poured out like flowing waters, and there is no one to aid us in our pain. Can you hear the scoffers say, "Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there?" Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name. Let your compassion come quickly to us once more, that all may see and know where true help lies. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)**

Pastor: Worship God, who hears our pleas.

People: Worship God, who replaces our tears of sorrow with tears of joy.

Pastor: Worship God, who is our one true physician.

People: Worship God, who heals the sin-sick soul.

Pastor: Worship God, you peoples.

People: We will worship the Lord our God.

SONGS OF PRAISE

*** Because Of Jesus**

Glory To God Forever

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

OUR TIME OF PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SONG OF PRAISE

You Say

* Please stand as you are able.



SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 8: 18 - 9:1 NIV

18 You who are my Comforter in sorrow,
my heart is faint within me.

19 Listen to the cry of my people
from a land far away:

“Is the Lord not in Zion?
Is her King no longer there?”

“Why have they aroused my anger with their images,
with their worthless foreign idols?”

20 “The harvest is past,
the summer has ended,
and we are not saved.”

21 Since my people are crushed, I am crushed;
I mourn, and horror grips me.

22 Is there no balm in Gilead?
Is there no physician there?

Why then is there no healing
for the wound of my people?

9 1 Oh, that my head were a spring of water
and my eyes a fountain of tears!

I would weep day and night
for the slain of my people.

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Pastor Don

HYMN OF DEDICATION

375 There is a Balm in Gilead

BENEDICTION

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



Calendar of Events

Today	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	SPRC Organizational Meeting
Tuesday 09/29/2020	7:00 pm	Tuesday In the "Word" Bible Study
Wednesday 09/30/2020	6:00 pm	Church Council Meeting
Saturday 10/03/2020	9:30 am	Homeless Lunch Prep

UPCOMING Events

and Important Dates

Sunday 10/04/2020	Homeless Lunch Delivery
Sunday 10/04/2020	Adult Bible Study 9:15 am
Sunday 10/04/2020	Celebration of World Communion Sunday

**** Important Reminder ****

Please remember to adhere to all protocols and guidelines that are posted in the Narthex. These include wearing a mask and practicing social distancing. Please find a seat when entering the sanctuary and avoid gathering in the back. We should all be doing our part to ensure that we can continue to meet in-person.

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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Office hours - Wednesday and Thursday - 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm



Please include the following in your prayers. You may also want to send a thoughtful card, make a caring phone call, or stop by for a short visit.

New Prayers and Praises

Continued Prayers

- ❖ Lisa and Angie Stanciu and family
 - Prayers as they face serious health issues
- ❖ Joe Scavincky, Leta's husband
 - Prayers for a full recovery from a recent car accident
 - Update: Prayers for a second surgery related to the car accident
- ❖ Ron Brizes
 - Prayers for a complete and speedy recovery and minimal pain from back surgery.
- ❖ Barb Brizes, mother of Ron
 - Prayers for upcoming surgery for colon cancer
- ❖ Pat Kraeuter
 - Prayers for upcoming heart-valve replacement surgery

Our Friends and Members who are Shut-ins or in Care Facilities

- ❖ Dorothy Davies
- ❖ William Fred Crux
- ❖ Marilyn Myford

Serving in Our Armed Forces

- ❖ Sgt. Chip Conrad - National Guard
- ❖ Crystal Riley-Conrad - Army Medic
- ❖ Cpl. Lawson Priestley - Marine Corps

*To all who serve and have served our country,
Thank you for your sacrifice.*

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call or email your requests to the church office by Thursday morning of each week.