

# **WORSHIP SERVICE AUGUST 30, 2020**

**FELLOWSHIP TIME 9:30**

**WORSHIP TIME 10:00**

Please put your Joys & Concerns in the zoom chat box

## **PRELUDE      Change My Heart, O God & Purer in Heart**

### **OPENING PRAYER** - Liturgist Loxi Ellingwood

Eternal God, whose signature we see, if we dare to look, in the creation of the universe, help us this hour to look and to listen for your handwriting and your voice in this place, among these people. Connect our temporary praise to your timeless rhythms, your ageless melodies, your everlasting joyful noise. Guide us now to focus upon you, knowing that in you our distractions become new possibilities for action. Breathe life into our singing, our praying, our speaking, our listening, our touching, that all these activities might become more than they are. In our worship we reach out to you, O God, knowing that you have already enfolded us in your arms.

Thank you. In Jesus, we pray. Amen.

By Peter Haynes

## **OPENING HYMN    "They Will Know We are Christians"      S#2223**

## **JOYS & CONCERNS**

## **PASTORAL PRAYER**

### **ALL: 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. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory now and forever. Amen.

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## **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Lord, this money is not payment for services rendered. These aren't our dues necessary for us to belong to this church. We know you made us with a purpose, and so now we give ... on purpose, freely offering to you the best of who we are. Continue to work out your purpose in us. Make us your hands, outstretched, on purpose. Amen.

## **PRAYER RESPONSE**

Lord Make Me an Instrument of Your Peace

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS** - Liturgist

### **ROMANS 12:9-21**

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

### **MATTHEW 16:21 28**

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? "For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

## **THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD**

## **THANKS BE TO GOD**

## **MESSAGE**

" Oh Snap "

Rev. Effie McAvoy

## **CLOSING HYMN**

**Holy Spirit Truth Divine**

**#431**

sung by Mary-Anne DesRosiers, Dorothy Fassbender, Carol Leith, Sue Dyl,

Danny Beck, & Rob Bower - accompanist Steve Haunschild

## **BENEDICTION**