



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are glad you have joined us today!

** Please stand as you are able; join together in reading/singing the boldface type and the hymns.*

UMH *United Methodist Hymnal*

TFWS *The Faith We Sing*

Liturgist: Rev. Doug Johns

PRELUDE *Canonbury (Lord, Speak to Me)*
Dr. Brenda Portman, organ

Gerald Near

SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Faithful God, remind me this morning that no matter what I face Your compassion is greater than my suffering. Help me to place my faith in You and Your steadfast love. Amen.

* CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 116)

Come, people of God, let us offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and lift up God's name together!
For God is gracious and merciful, full of compassion and love.

While we were still helpless, God came to save us.
Let us worship God in joyful praise!

* HYMN *Lord, Speak to Me* vs. 1-4

UMH 463

* OPENING PRAYER

Faithful God, You draw near to us in our joy and in our grief, in our hope and in our despair. When we are bowed down, You raise us anew. We turn to You now in search of Your healing touch. God of compassion and love, move among us. Open our eyes, dispel our fears, and show us the new life You have to offer. We pray in the name of the Risen One, Jesus, the Christ. Amen.

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

ANTHEM *O Love* Elaine Hagenberg
The Wesley Choir
Brenda Portman, piano; Ben Owen conducting

O Love that will not let me go, O Love, I rest my weary soul in Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe, That in Thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O Joy that seeks me through the pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain, That morn shall tearless be.

O Love that will not let me go, O Love, I rest my weary soul in Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe, That in Thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be. That morn shall tearless be.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

EPISTLE LESSON 2 Corinthians 1:3-11 *Pew Bible NT p. 179*
This is the Word of our Lord.
Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE RESPONSE *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace* TFWS 2171

SERMON *A Letter from Christ: Compassion* Rev. Dr. Cathy Johns

OFFERTORY *The Servant Song* David Schwoebel

If anyone would be first, they shall be the last of all; be the servant of all.

We are travelers on a journey, Fellow pilgrims on the road;
We are here to help each other Walk the mile and bear the load.
I will hold the Christ-light for you In the nighttime of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you, Speak the peace you long to hear.

Sister, let me be your servant, Let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to Let you be my servant, too.
Brother, let me be your servant, Let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to Let you be my servant, too.

If anyone would be first, they shall be the last of all;
be the servant of all.

I will weep when you are weeping, When you light, I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow, Till we've seen this journey through.
When we sing to God in heaven, We shall find such harmony,
Born of all we've known together Of Christ's love and agony.

If anyone would be first, they shall be the last of all; be the servant of all.

* THE PRESENTATION AND DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

UMH 17

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

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.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Ushers will distribute the bread and cup.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give You thanks for this holy mystery in which You have given Yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of Your Spirit to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

* HYMN *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve*

TFWS 2241

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Fanfare to "La Peri"*

Dukas, arr. Erskine



PRESCHOOL: @9:30am - Room 9

We welcome any preschooler (who attends a weekday preschool) to come learn about God's love for us, make friends and have fun! Class will have a weekly Bible lesson, playtime, snacks and activities.

ELEMENTARY: @9:30am - 2nd floor Little Theater

We welcome all children in K-5th grade to come learn more about God's stories, make friends and have fun! Class will have a weekly Bible lesson, fun activities, games and more!



YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: @9:30am - 3rd floor Youth Lobby

All youth in grades 6th-12th are welcome to join us for weekly Bible study and fellowship. We split Middle School and High School classes to dive into scripture and apply it to our daily lives.



YOUTH GROUP: 4:00-6:00pm - 3rd floor Youth Lobby

All youth in grades 6th-12th grade are welcome to join us weekly for food, fellowship and fun. Come be surrounded by other Christian teens and deepen your relationship with God!

Masks are required for leaders and youth.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

(Current class information, please contact class leader)

9:30am

Adult Bible Study Ron Purdon, purdon@mail.com
 Faith Weavers Micheal Hickerson, mikehickerson@gmail.com
 Let's Get Real Jason Burgess, JasonBurgess13@gmail.com

11:00am

New Ventures Mike Vilardo, mpvilardo@gmail.com
 Soul Builders Ronda Deel, rodeel@fuse.net

Current COVID-19 Protocols

- Require social safe distancing, per CDC guidelines, which will include every other pew seating in the sanctuary
- Refreshments between services will continue to be suspended until further notice.
- At the discretion of the Director of Music Ministry, choirs can resume singing in worship if singers are masked and socially distanced.
- Masks are highly recommended for public indoor gatherings and for congregational singing.
- Classes and small groups can continue to meet in person; however, it is strongly recommended that individuals wear masks.

In addition, The COVID-19 Task Force affirms the following CDC guidelines for protecting individuals and communities:

- Get fully vaccinated
- Wearing masks
- Safe social distancing
- Hand sanitizer

Invitation to Pray:

Discharged: Jim Burger from University Hospital to rehab at St. Theresa Nursing Home.

Staff & Their Families: the Servant Leadership Board and its members.

Men & Women in the Military: We are praying for all men and women serving in the military.

Our Church Ministries: Our classes meeting online and in person.

Our Global Ministries: Haiti, Romania, Russia and Mexico

Next Sunday, October 17th.

Pastor Doug continues our sermon series on Second Corinthians: *A Letter From Christ*. His sermon, *Hope*, is based on 2 Corinthians 7:5-7. Join us and invite a friend, relative, acquaintance, or neighbor.



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Hyde Park Community Worship:

Sundays 8:00am, 9:30am & 11:00am

Recordings of the sermons are updated weekly on our website in both video and audio formats.

Holy Communion:

Hyde Park Community

1st Sunday of the month

All Services (9:30 & 11:00am)

Every Sunday (8:00)



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A LETTER FROM *Christ* COMPASSION
 2 CORINTHIANS 3:2-3 (NIV)
 BY REV. DR. CATHY JOHNS