

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WINNETKA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 22, 2023

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

SILENT MEDITATION

INTROIT

The Lord Is My Shepherd



The Lord is my shep herd, _____ I shall not want. _____



He makes me to lie down _____ in fields of green. _____



He leads me be - side _____ the wat-ers so still. _____



My soul is re-freshed, he leads me a - long the path-way of love.

CALL TO WORSHIP | STANDING

Our God is rich in mercy.

**By God's mercy, we are created;
by God's mercy, we know Jesus;
by God's mercy, we have been saved;
by God's mercy, we are forgiven;
by God's mercy, we are alive!**

Come, let us worship the God of mercy.

HYMN 39 | STANDING

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,
we come before you in need of healing -
the healing of our bodies and souls,
the healing of our relationships,
the healing of our pride and fear and apathy.
We know that with you,
nothing is impossible,
not even our healing,
not even the restoration of the whole world.
We pray that you will heal us,
and heal our world,
so that we will be freed to serve and love and dream and be,
as Christ calls us.

Silence is kept for personal confession.

Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

RESPONSE

Like a Rock



Like a rock, like a rock, God is un - der our feet. _



Like a star - ry night sky, God is o - ver our head. _



Like a sun on the ho - ri - zon, God is ev - er be - fore. _



Like the riv - er runs to o - cean, our home is in God ev - er - more.

WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE

Ephesians 2:1-10

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children are dismissed to Sunday School (K-6) following the scripture readings.

Please pick up your children from their classrooms following worship.

SERMON

"His Greatest Honor"

Rev. Paul Gilmore

SONG OF RESPONSE

Grace

Bryan Wlas, soloist

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

Romans 12:4-8, 11-13

As in one body we have many parts
and each part has its own function,
so all of us together with Christ are one body,
and we all belong to each other.

**We have different gifts
according to the grace God has given us.**

If your gift is to hear God's Word,
speak it out in faith.

If your gift is service,
live to serve others.

If your gift is the heart of a teacher,
teach what is true.

Let preachers preach with conviction,
and givers give freely;
**let leaders work diligently for the people,
and let those who serve the poor, serve gladly.**

Let us not lack for enthusiasm,
but be ardent in spirit,
**serving the Lord, rejoicing in hope,
patient in suffering, constant in prayer,
supporting one another, and welcoming all.**

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION

Elders: Christina Swartz, Josh Warren, Liz Kohler,
Emily Marshall, Judy McKee

Deacons: AnnMarie Harden, Katie Laabs, Nancy Person,
Carrie Waterston, Megan Witt

*Following the statement on ordination, the congregation is invited to gather together
under the balcony around the baptismal font.*

SONG

There is One Lord
Ephesians 4:4-6

There is one Lord, There is one faith,
There is one bap - tis - m There is one God.
And we are all chil-dren of God,
born of one same Spir - it, Al-le-lu - ia!

PROFESSION OF FAITH | STANDING

As God calls some to particular forms of ministry,
God calls us all to bear gladly the yoke of Christ
given in the covenant of Baptism.

Let us, therefore, reaffirm our baptismal vows,
renouncing all that opposes God and God's rule
and affirming the faith of the holy catholic church.

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God,
do you turn from the ways of sin
and renounce evil and its power in the world?

I do.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ
and accept him as your Lord and Savior,
trusting in his grace and love?

I do.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple,
obeying his Word and showing his love?

I will, with God's help.

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM | STANDING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Gracious and eternal God,
with joy we give you thanks and praise.

We praise you for leading your people Israel
through the waters of the sea,

out of bondage and into freedom
in the land of your promise.

We praise you for sending Jesus your Son,
who for us was baptized in the waters of the Jordan,
and was anointed as the Christ by your Holy Spirit.
Through the baptism of his death and resurrection
you set us free from the bondage of sin and death,
and give us cleansing and rebirth.

We praise you for pouring out your Holy Spirit,
who teaches us and leads us into all truth,
filling us with a variety of gifts,
that we might proclaim the gospel to all nations
and serve you as a royal priesthood.

We rejoice that you have claimed us in our baptism
and anointed us for service in Christ's name,
and that by your grace we are born anew.

By your Holy Spirit renew us,
that we may be empowered to do your will
and continue forever in the risen life of Christ,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all glory and honor, now and forever.

Amen.

Remember your baptism and be thankful.
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

PRAYER OF ORDINATION

*All ordained deacons and elders are invited to come forward and lay hands on those
who will be ordained this morning.*

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION

You are deacons and ruling elders,
ordained to ministries of service and governance
in the church of Jesus Christ
and for this congregation.

Be faithful and true in your ministry
so that your whole life will bear witness to the crucified and risen Christ.

Amen.

CHARGE TO THE NEWLY ORDAINED AND INSTALLED

CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

SHARING THE PEACE | STANDING

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Signs of peace are exchanged as the congregation returns to the pews.

Peace, Salaam, Shalom

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY

Andy McCausland
Stephen Ministry

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy...
hear our prayer.

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 debts as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

Consecrated

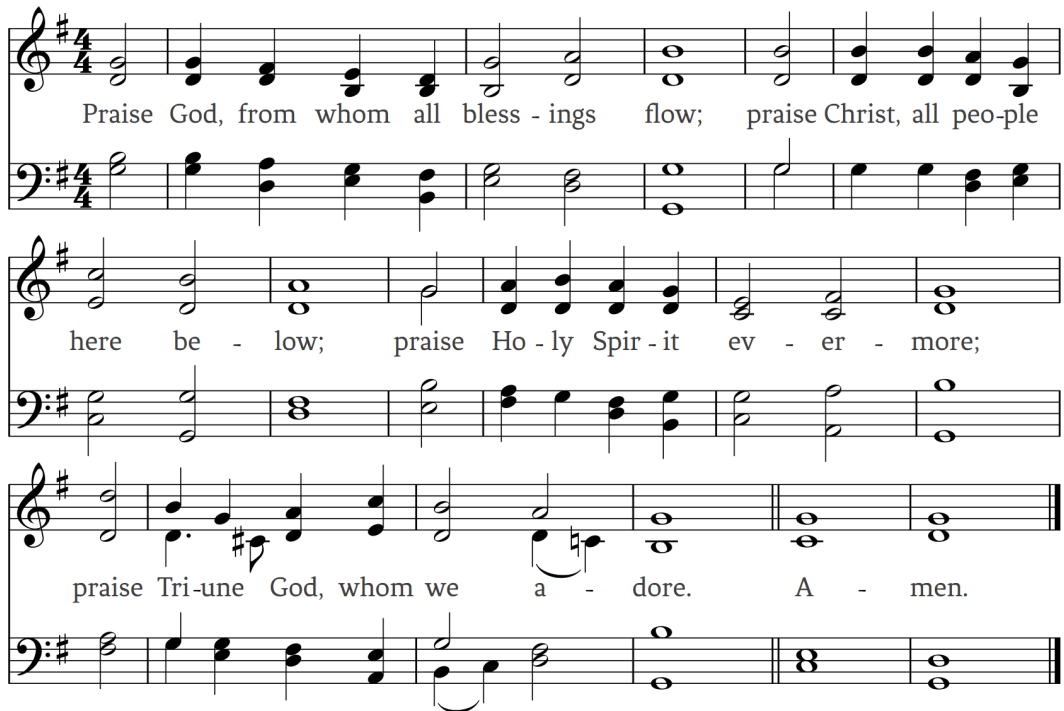
Lord, take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days, and let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Lord, take my will and make it thine, for it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Lord, take my voice, and let me sing always, and only, for my King.
O take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee.

Lord, take my silver and my gold, for not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use as thou shalt choose.

DOXOLOGY | STANDING



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise Christ, all peo-ple
here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more;
praise Tri-une God, whom we a - dore. A - men.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING | STANDING

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God, for the gift of life:

for all that we touch and smell and hear,

for all that we taste and see and feel,

for every experience that has made us who we are,

and for your grace by which we have been saved.

May we be as generous as you in all we give,

as daring as you in all we dream,

and as faithful as you in all our relationships.

Amen.

SENDING

HYMN 733 | STANDING

We All Are One in Mission

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION | STANDING

POSTLUDE

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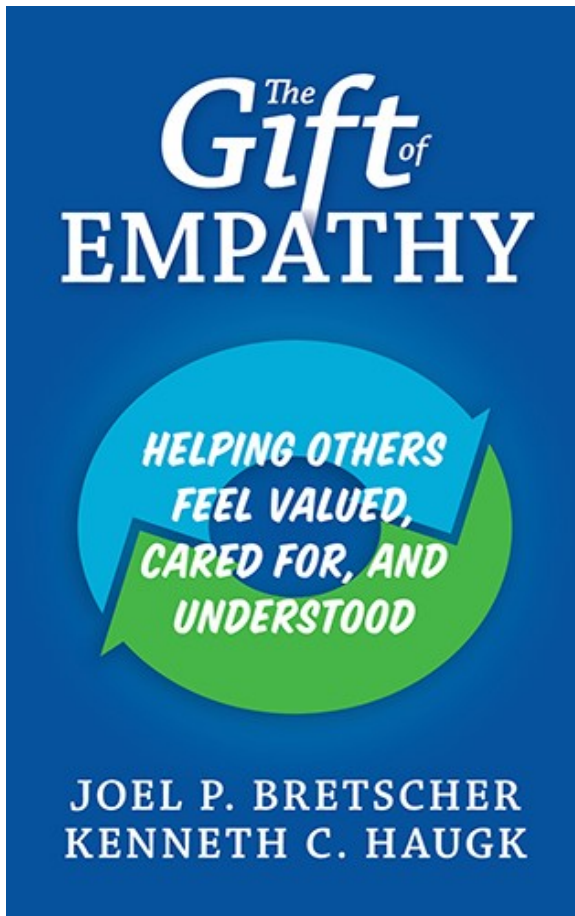
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STEPHEN MINISTRY BOOK DISCUSSION

Sundays, Oct 22, 29 and Nov 5

Following worship in Conference Room B



Join us following worship on Oct 22, 29 and Nov 5 for a discussion on *The Gift of Empathy*.

The Gift of Empathy: Helping Others Feel Valued, Cared for, and Understood presents a fresh approach to a familiar concept, providing practical insights and real-life examples that equip readers to relate in empathetic ways that make a difference in the lives of all those they encounter.

Empathy is a skill anyone can learn, and this book lays out principles and practices that empower you to better understand, connect with, and care for family, friends, coworkers, and others you may relate to. As you practice and strengthen your ability to empathize, you will experience more caring interactions and more meaningful connections in all areas of your life.

That's the power of empathy, and helping people discover that power and apply it in their own lives is what *The Gift of Empathy* is all about.

You can pick up the book TODAY following worship (\$15 suggested donation). You can also purchase the book directly from stephenministries.org/On_Line_Store/viewitem.cfm?mnbtgoe=1&ItemID=1035.

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Information about weekly Bible studies and small groups can be found in your weekly email or at winnpres.org. Sign up at winnpres.org to receive our weekly email.

MEN'S SMALL GROUP (CONFERENCE B)

Saturdays @ 8:30am

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY (CONFERENCE A)

Saturdays @ 10am

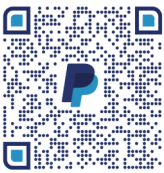
MEN'S BIBLE STUDY (ZOOM)

Tuesdays @ 7am

BIBLE STUDY (CONFERENCE B / ZOOM)

Wednesdays @ 11am

ANNOUNCEMENTS



OFFERING

You can financially support the ministry of WPC in one of the following ways:

- Scan this QR code.
- Place your offering in the offering plate.
- Give online at winnpres.org/give-online.

SPAGHETTI DINNER TICKETS ON SALE!

Tickets are on sale today for our annual spaghetti dinner. The dinner will be Sunday, November 5, 5:30-7pm. This Senior High fundraiser helps offset expenses for the 2024 summer mission trip. Cost is \$10 per adult, \$5 per child, with a \$30 maximum per family.

WPC LUNCH & AUCTION: NOVEMBER 19

Join us following worship on Stewardship Commitment Sunday for a congregational luncheon and auction. Proceeds help to supplement our 2023 budget. If you have items you would like to auction off, please check your weekly email for instructions. You may also find the donation forms on our website, or by calling the front office.

SERVING TODAY

Worship Leaders: Paul Gilmore, Geoff Duffy

Greeters: Bob and Liz Crowe, Nancy Holly

Lector: Kathy Fink

Prayer Leader: Barbara Scott

Musicians: Bryan Wlas, Daniel Rausch,
Shannon McMullen, Kyra Kornfeld,
Warren Oja

Sound Technician: Kyle Fox

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