SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY WINNETKA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 3, 2023



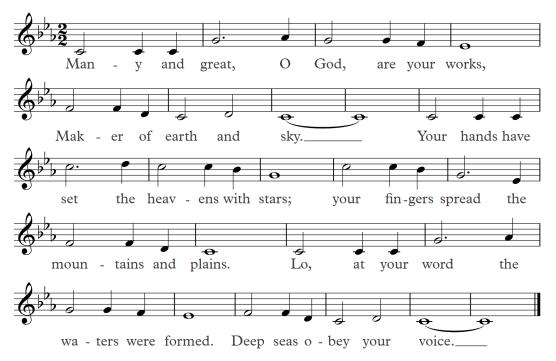
GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

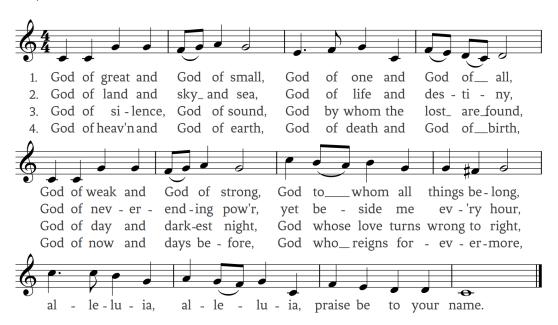
SILENT MEDITATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Many and Great



GATHERING PRAYER

Creating God,
whose hands built the earth,
molded our bodies,
and sowed the stars across the sky,
we gather in your presence this morning
with praise and thanksgiving for your handiwork.
Strengthen our hearts and our hands to work with you
in the building of a world filled with justice and peace.
We pray all these things in the name of Jesus.
Amen.



PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God,

you have called us to walk in unity and love with one another.

We confess that many times we speak without love,

act without humility,

and treat others without patience.

Forgive us,

help us grow toward maturity in faith, and make us more generous and kind,

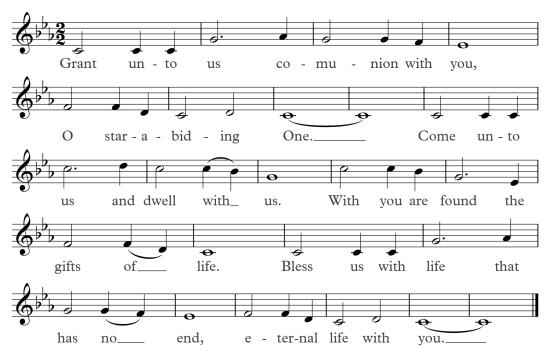
so that we might be a witness of your grace to our world.

Silence is kept for personal confession.

Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

RESPONSE Many and Great



WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Epistle Ephesians 4:1-16

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism Geoff Duffy, Director of Music



- 1 We are one in the Spir-it; we are one in the Lord;
- 2 We will walk with each oth er; we will walk hand in hand;
- 3 We will work with each oth-er; we will work side by side;
- 4 All praise to the Fa-ther, from whom all things come,



one in the Spir - it; in the Lord, we are we are one we will walk with each oth - er: we will walk hand in we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side. to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly and all praise Son,



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re-stored: and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land: and we'll guard hu-man dig - ni - ty and save hu-man pride: and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:



And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.

We believe in God. who calls the worlds into being, creates humankind in the divine image, and sets before us the ways of life and death. Through Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Lord. God has come to us and shared our common lot. conquering sin and death and reconciling the whole creation to its Creator. Through the Holy Spirit, God calls us into the church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be servants in the service of the whole human family, to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table, and to join him in his passion and victory. All blessing and honor, glory and power, be unto God. Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE | STANDING

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Peace, Salaam, Shalom.

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 Simple Gifts

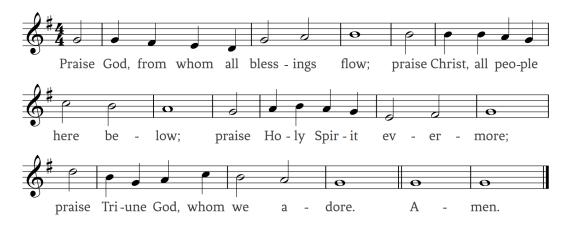
'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free. 'Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be. And when we find ourselves in the place just right, 'twill be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained, to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed. To turn, turn, will be our delight, till by turning, turning we come 'round right.

'Tis the gift to be loving, 'tis the gift to be kind. 'Tis the gift of grace we know that we will find. And when we see the light at the break of day, we'll know that the truth will show us the way.

-Shaker Song

DOXOLOGY | STANDING



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING | STANDING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Generous God, you gave us life; now we give our lives back to you.

We present ourselves:
our work and play,
our thoughts and deeds,
our gifts and resources,
to be used by you
for the sake of all people everywhere,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

SENDING



CHARGE | STANDING 1 Peter 3:8-9

Have unity of spirit, sympathy and love for one another, a tender heart and a humble mind. Do not repay evil for evil, but repay with a blessing.

It is for this that you were called - that you might inherit a blessing.

Thanks be to God!

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.

WELCOME HOME SUNDAY: NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday, worship returns to the sanctuary, children begin a new year of Sunday School, and we all enjoy fellowship and fun over lunch. This is a great Sunday to invite a neighbor or friend to check out WPC!

SING IN THE WELCOME HOME CHOIR

All singers are invited to sing in the Welcome Home Choir. Rehearsal will be at 8:45am on Sunday, September 10. We will learn an anthem to sing in worship that morning. If you are interested, and would like to see the music ahead of time, contact Geoff Duffy.

NEW SEASON OF SUNDAY SCHOOL

A new season of Sunday School (K-6) begins on September 17. Children come to worship with their families, and then are dismissed to Sunday School following the scripture readings. Our curriculum is lectionary-based, which means the Sunday School lessons focus on the scripture we hear in worship.

BE A SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER

We always have a need for more Sunday School teachers! All materials and curriculum are provided. You can teach as little or as much as you would like. For information, please contact Nancy Holly.

SERVING TODAY

Worship Leaders: Geoff Duffy, Nancy Holly

Greeters: Nancy Holly Lectors: Kathy Ritchell

Prayer Leader: Barbara Scott

Musicians: Daniel Rausch, Kyra Kornfeld, Alasia Williams

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WELCOME HOME SUNDAY



SEPTEMBER 10 / 10AM

Worship with Holy Communion in the sanctuary **Giving of Third Grade Bibles** Food and Fellowship following worship

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