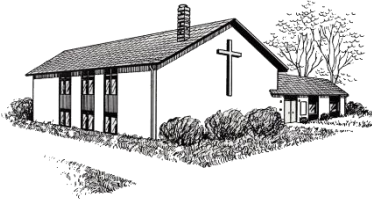


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Our Mission...

to be an accepting Christian community dedicated to living, sharing and teaching the Word of God.

We respect all aspects of people including race, ethnicity, gender expression, sexual orientation, socio-economic background, age, religion, mental wellness, and ability.

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 25th, 2022

The asterisk invites all to stand, if they are able. **Bold print indicates a congregational response.*

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

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~Joanne Diplock

WELCOME

LIFE and WORK of the CONGREGATION

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT of the LAND

We acknowledge that we meet in Treaty 1 land, the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe, Cree and Dakota peoples, and the homeland of the Metis nation. We are thankful for these first inhabitants, and we commit to working together towards justice, truth and reconciliation.

THE LIGHTING of the CHRIST CANDLE and the UKRAINE CANDLE

*May the light of Christ, rising in glory,
banish all darkness from our hearts and minds. Amen.*

**And may the light of this Ukraine Candle
help us to be mindful of our Ukrainian sisters and brothers in need.**

CALL to WORSHIP

*O sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
*Sing, and give praise to God's name;
tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.**

PRAYER of the DAY

**O God, you are infinite,
eternal and unchangeable,
glorious in holiness,
full of love and compassion,
abundant in grace and truth.**

**Your works everywhere praise you,
and your glory is revealed
in Jesus Christ our Saviour.**

**Therefore, we praise you,
blessed and holy Trinity,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

***HYMN: #226 VU – "For the Beauty of the Earth"**
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(Pierpoint/Kocher)
~Joanne Diplock

- 1 For the beauty of the earth,
for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,
God of all, to you we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.**
- 2 For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon, and stars of light, R**
- 3 For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild, R**
- 4 For each perfect gift sublime
to our race so freely given,
graces human and divine,
flowers of earth and buds of heaven, R**

THE WORD OF GOD

LEARNING TIME

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 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,
the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Scripture Reader: *Kim Shaw*

The Epistle: **1 Timothy 6: 6-19**

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Response: *This is the Word of God.*
Thanks be to God.

CHOIR ANTHEM: **"Love the Lord"**

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(Reeves)

~Joanne Diplock

The Gospel: **Luke 16: 19-31**

There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham

far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames." But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." He said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead." ' '

Response: *The Gospel of Christ.*

Thanks be to God.

*HYMN: #747 VU – "***The Lord's My Shepherd***"

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(Irvine)

~Joanne Diplock

- 1 The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
he makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me,
the quiet waters by.**
- 2 My soul he doth restore again;
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
even for his own name's sake.**
- 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear no ill;
for thou art with me; and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.**
- 4 My table thou has furnished
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.**
- 5 Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me,
and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling-place shall be.**

SERMON

~Rev. Don Johnson

A Moment of Silent Meditation

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory Music

Offertory Hymn: #227 VU – "For the Fruit of All Creation" (v.2)

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(Green)

~Joanne Diplock

- 2 In the just reward of labour, God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbour, God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.**

Offertory Prayer

**Generous God,
out of your providing
we bring these gifts from our daily living.
May the use of our gifts
and the offering of our lives
be for your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

PRAYERS

*HYMN: #563 VU – "Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

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(Gabaráin)

~Joanne Diplock

- 1 Jesus, you have come to the lakeshore
looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;
you only asked me to follow humbly.
O Jesus, with your eyes you have searched me,
and while smiling, have spoken my name;
now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me;
by your side I will seek other seas.**
- 2 You know so well my possessions;
my boat carries no gold and no weapons;
- you will find there my nets and labour. R**
- 3 You need my hands, full of caring
through my labours to give others rest,
and constant love that keeps on loving. R**
- 4 You, who have fished other oceans,
ever longed for by souls who are waiting,
my loving friend, as thus you call me. R**

THE BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION

**May the Lord go with you, let him take your hand.
Keep His love within you, until we meet again. Amen.**

POSTLUDE:

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