October 10, 2021 ~ 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude ~ "Thy Word" (arr. Hayes) ~ Leigh Emmett

Call to Worship ~ responsive

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I say, Rejoice!

People: Praise God, our Lord is near to us.

Leader: God is close to all who call upon his name.

People: Thanks be to you, O God, who shows us such great love and care. Amen.

*you are invited to stand in body or in spirit

*Hymn #35 ~ "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ in unison

God of all mercy and love, we come to you bringing our whole selves to you. You care for us and celebrate our gifts. For the things we have done that have harmed you and others, forgive us Lord. In your mercy renew us and guide us with your mercy and grace. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #743 ~ "O God, You Are My God"

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.
O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.
I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways.
And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus ~ "I Love This Family" (arr. C. Bowes)

I love this family of God, so closely knitted into one, They've taken me into their midst and I'm so glad to be a part of this great family.

Offering Prayer

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Psalm 90:12-17

Special Music ~ "What Wondrous Love Is This" (arr. J. Krug) ~ Ringers

Christian Scripture ~ Zephaniah 3:14-20

Message ~ "Songs and Soothing"

*Hymn #465 ~ "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Community at Prayer

Prayer Preparation ~ "Meet Me Here"

Meet me here. Find me in my wanderings.

Meet me here. Deep within my soul.

The Lord's Prayer ~ in unison
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.

*Hymn #610 ~ "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Our God is an awesome God who reigns from heaven above with wisdom, power, and love; our God is an awesome God!

Postlude ~ "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (arr. Berry)

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There will be a coffee hour following the service today.

A donation to the Board of Deacons Hunger Ministry has been received from Pattie and Albert Benoit in loving memory of their grandson, Kyler Tulppo.

From Pam Phillips...Due to the overwhelming response to the dress sale from the WXYZ report, we need more help, please!! In addition to helping shoppers, we need greeters at the entrance doors to direct shoppers as well as runners to rehang dresses that have been tried on. Appointments are being scheduled only during church business hours Monday through Thursday, as well as on Thursday evening between 6:00 and 8:00PM, so your schedule can be accommodated as well. Please contact me at 734-634-2445 - pamphillip@sbcglobal.net.

Also, we need long dry cleaner bags. Thank you!!

^{*}Benediction

^{*}Choral Response #616 ~ "Our God Is an Awesome God"

2021 LIVONIA-GARDEN CITY CROP WALK

The 2021 Livonia-Garden City CROP Walk will take place TODAY!! Those people comfortable with walking in a large group will be walking from Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard St. Registration at Rosedale Gardens starts at 2:30 pm. At 3 pm there will be a gathering to prepare for the walk that starts at 3:15pm.

While indoors, Rosedale Gardens requires masks for all.

The walk will consist of two parts - a 1/2 mile walk in the park across the street from the church, and a 2 mile walk winding our way through the neighborhood.

A walk map will be provided.

Following the walk there will be ice cream, scheduled to be served outdoors!!

Those participants uncomfortable with walking in a group setting are invited to walk as a congregation or a family, or to walk individually, as we all did last year.

We again have a challenge for online donations. A church with <u>five</u> walkers and at least \$250.00 in <u>online</u> donations will earn an extra \$250.00 for CROP! (One per church, please.)

Walkers are urged to make all donations online, not only to earn the \$250.00 match, but also to put the funds to work as soon as possible. Online donations will be acknowledged directly by CWS.

To be credited for online donations, walkers need to register online.

If donors would rather not contribute online, their checks should be payable to CWS/CROP.

25% of the money raised by our walk will go to three local recipients for distribution: The food banks at Clarenceville United Methodist and Good Hope Lutheran, and Redford Interfaith Relief. During the pandemic these agencies have had to respond to greater numbers of those in need than usual and can definitely use our help.

Last year, in spite of the pandemic and the restrictions on our walk, the Livonia-Garden City walkers raised \$13,000.00! With your help, I know we'll raise more this year.

To register online, check out other resources, or make a donation, you can go to: https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/event/livoniami

St. Paul's is registered - you will find the registration at this link so please be sure donations are credited to St. Paul's!

Thank you for your commitment to feeding the hungry here and across the world.

Peggy Nelson, Co-Coordinator and Treasurer, Livonia-Garden City CROP Walk

Fall Fun Festival is BACK! Thankfulness will be our focus on Saturday, October 23rd from 4-6pm! All our old favorites will be back in place...Trunk or Treat, Holy Ghost Weiner Roast, Wart on a Warthog (with Playdoh instead of gum!) and much more! We are adding a raffle for some fun fall prizes! All the kids get a free raffle ticket, but if you bring a canned good to donate to the food pantry, you get an extra ticket!

Kids up thru 6th grade are encouraged to come with their families, in costume if you like, to have an amazing time being thankful for all God's good gifts to us! Here is how you can help...

- 1. Bring your car to be a part of Trunk or Treat! You can decorate or not, but bring treats for at least 50! Sign up in lobby!
- 2. Or...plan to help with activities & games inside or out. Sign up in lobby!
- 3. Donate...fall refreshments, hot dogs, buns, a cornstalk bundle, a bale of straw, 5 small white/grey pumpkins or 5 small orange pumpkins, a few large pumpkins for decoration, a bag of Tootsie Pops. Contact Kathy Potter, at 313-719-8467 or christianeducator@stpaulspresbyterian.church if you plan to donate any of these items!
- 4. Get the word out!!! Share it with your friends, family, neighbors!! If you have a neighborhood website, put it out there!
- 5. Pray for children & families to come out to hear of the good gifts God gives!

From the Board of Deacons..."Do you have someone or something to celebrate? You can share your joy with your St. Paul's family, help feed the hungry, and honor the person or object of your celebration with a tribute gift to the Board of Deacons Hunger Ministries. Tribute gifts may also be in memory of someone or something, or your donation can simply be a gift to the Hunger Ministries. An acknowledgement will be placed in the bulletin and e-Branch. No set amount is required, and acknowledgements will go in the bulletin as soon as possible after checks are received. Donations may not be made far in advance for future dates. To donate, please:

- Make your check payable to: St. Paul's Board of Deacons
- In the Memo line, write: Hunger Ministries
- Enclose a note with: Donor(s) Name(s) and the dedication. (Dedication examples: In honor of the first responders. In honor of our grandchildren. In memory of my parents).

Send the donation with your check and note to St. Paul's, drop it in the secure mailbox outside the entrance, or bring it to the church during office hours. The Board of Deacons appreciates the congregation's generous spirit. Let's feed each other spiritually, and the hungry, literally. May the peace of Christ be with us all."

Gail Artinian, Ron Frank, Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Joyce Barton Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Nola Bonandrini, Nancy Saunders Jerry Stone, Beverly Dearth, Anita Falk, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant Bruce Phillips, Patricia Hutchison, Linda Thompson & her sister, Shirley Kircoff

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Finley Farquhar ~ granddaughter of Eric; Rosemary Iaquinta ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel
The Dylegowski Family ~ friends of Jan Burgess

Mark Feely ~ friend of Judy McGregor; Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham

Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck; Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian
Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit
Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright
Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike & Carol Graham; Mark Osborne ~ son of Janet
Diane Calloway & Tony S. ~ cousins of Gail Artinian; MaryAnn Tabaka ~ mother of Suzanne
Eric Tabaka ~ nephew of Suzanne; Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda & Bob Seymour
David Bonandrini ~ son of Nola & Ben; Zoe Marcus ~ friend of Karen Erwin
Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook; Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips
Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo; Leslie Benoit ~ daughter of the late Tamar and Jim Duthie
Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling & Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron & Janet Frank
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon & Marion Davis

Please review the prayer list and report any changes to the office as soon as possible.

35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty



This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1–6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

465 What a Friend We Have in Jesus



This text was written by an Irish-born immigrant to Canada to comfort his mother in Ireland when she was going through a time of special sorrow. The role of prayer as a source of strength and consolation is underscored by its repeated use as a rhyme word in all three stanzas.

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing



This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his life-changing conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide. This tune, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.

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