October 11, 2020 ~ 19th Sunday after Pentecost Listen: Hearing That Still, Small Voice and Finding Your Own

WEEK 2

"Finding a Word: Listening to the Texts; Finding Your Breath: Listening to Our Bodies"

Welcome and Announcements ~ Karen Barsy

LISTEN

Music for Settling ~ Leigh Emmett

Evoking the Mystery

Sung Response

Come and rest, Come and listen.

Lay the fullness of your lives before the Maker.

Leader

Sung Response

Come and rest, Come and listen, There's a wisdom deep within that calls us closer.

Moog Contemplation

Most of us breathe too shallow.

Take a deep breath all the way into the far corners of your lungs...

Fill up your breath...fill your spirit

We spend so much time:

solving,

fixing,

figuring out.

What about simply letting things be for a minute? It is often the most needed ingredient for a breakthrough.

Examen

Reader: For that which, then, I thought was right...

People: have mercy, God.

Reader: For that which, now, I regret...

People: forgive me, God.

Reader: For that which, hence, I know not what to do...

People: guide me, God.

Leader: Come and rest, come and listen. Know that grace, forgiveness and guidance are available to you at each and every moment that we turn to receive them.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sung Response

Come and rest, Come and listen.

Lay the fullness of your lives before the Maker.

*Hymn #182 ~ "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

FIND

Children's Discovery

The Psalmist's Prayer (Psalm 46:1-7)~ in unison

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Sung Response

Listen to the word that God has spoken; listen to the One who is close at hand; listen to the voice that began creation, listen even if you don't understand.

Reader: Sing to God a new song! Play your best with joyful shouts!

Because the Lord's word is right,

People: God's every act is done in good faith.

Sung Response

Listen to the word that God has spoken; listen to the One who is close at hand; listen to the voice that began creation, listen even if you don't understand.

Reader: God loves righteousness and justice; the Lord's faithful love fills the

whole earth. The skies were made by the Lord's word,

People: all their starry multitude by the breath of God's mouth.

Sung Response

Listen to the word that God has spoken; listen to the One who is close at hand; listen to the voice that began creation, listen even if you don't understand.

Reader: We put our hope in the Lord. God is our help and our shield.

Our heart rejoices in God

People: because we trust God's holy name.

Reader: Lord, let your faithful love surround us

People: because we wait for you.

Sung Response

Listen to the word that God has spoken; listen to the One who is close at hand; listen to the voice that began creation, listen even if you don't understand.

Seeking the Word ~ The Rev. Renee Roederer, guest

Scripture ~ Proverbs 1:20-23; Romans 8:26-28,38-39

<u>Music for an Inward Journey</u> ~ "Be Still My Soul" (J.L. Borthwick, J. Sibelius, K.A. vonSchlegel) ~ Singers

Message

REFLECT

*Hymn Song of Contemplation #458 ~ "Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet"

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Appointment with God

Sung Response Meet me here; find me in my wanderings.

Meet me here, deep within my soul.

We ask each of you to send your weekly prayer sheet to the church at the end of this series for use in a future service so that we can experience each other's wisdom-keep that in mind when you write on the worksheet.

Sung Response Meet me here; find me in my wanderings. Meet me here, deep within my soul.

Community and Closing Prayers

PREPARE TO LISTEN IN THE WORLD

*Hymn Song for Moving On #710 ~ "We Lift Our Voices"

Congregational Meeting

Passing of the Peace ~ Please pass the peace virtually with your neighbors.

*Sung Benediction ~
We're so thankful that you are still speaking,
You're still speaking, gracious God.
For the sake of the world you are seeking
We are listening, listening now.
[repeat]

Benediction

Music for Going Out

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A donation to the Board of Deacons Food Ministry has been made by Judy McGregor in memory of Kathleen Sedor

A **Meeting of the Congregation** is called for <u>TODAY</u>, in the Google Meet format. The purpose of this meeting is to amend the bylaws to reduce the number of Ruling Elders on the Council from 9 members to 7 members as well as the number of members of the Board of Deacons from 9 members to 7 members.

The VIRTUAL CROP Hunger Walk is TODAY!

This means walkers from all participating congregations will **NOT** meet together to walk. Instead, you can still be a part of our St. Paul's team and walk by yourself, or with your family, choosing your own distance as well as where you are comfortable - around your living room, around your block, or around your neighborhood!

If you want to help families who aren't getting enough healthy food to eat, please donate to and/or join the St. Paul's team at

https://www.crophungerwalk.org/livoniami/Team/View/131807

<u>Online donations</u> are encouraged because for every group of 5 or more who register from St. Paul's and if St. Paul's raises collectively <u>at least \$250.00</u> in online donations, a matching gift will be given! **Thank you to those who have already donated!** Our team goal was set at **\$1,000.00** and donations can be made until October 25. It's been a hard year for everyone, but especially for those who don't have the safety nets and protections surrounding many of us. These donations will help people globally through the work of Church World Service and locally

right here in our community through the food banks in Livonia, Garden City, Redford, and Farmington. **PLEASE** - Walk. Give. Change the world!

Trunk or Treat!!!



















Saturday, October 24th, 2020 St. Paul's is going to hold our annual Trunk or Treat!! In light of COVID-19 concerns, we **ARE NOT holding the usual Fall Fun Festival**, but just the Trunk or Treat portion because it is outside and we can do this community outreach at a safe distance and with masks & gloves. The event will also be abbreviated, **4 - 5:30pm**, or until we run out of treats!

We are asking anyone interested in participating to come with their vehicle prepared to hand out treats to **about 50 children**. Please also **bring a card table**, or something similar to place in front of your trunk to ensure 6' social distancing. Treats can be placed at the edge of the table for children to pick up as they go through the event. Be sure to bring and **wear a mask** throughout the event. Gloves will be provided & we will have hand sanitizer as well.

The church building will NOT be open. Restrooms will NOT be available.

Please arrive BEFORE 3:45pm so that we can safely get all our vehicles in place before children begin to arrive.

Please sign up to bring a trunk asap or, at the latest, the Thursday, October 15th deadline, so that we know we will have enough vehicles to offer a worthwhile event! If you have two in your household with two cars, consider each signing up to do a trunk separately! Sign up by emailing christianeducator@ stpaulspresbyterian.church.

This is an opportunity to let the community know that we have not forgotten them and care for them...that God cares for them and to do it in a safe way during these uncertain times.

Hope you can join us!

Kathy Potter CEC St. Paul's Presbyterian Church





Janet Frank, Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Joyce Barton
Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Nola Bonandrini, Tamar Duthie, Frank & 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
Don Potter ~ father of Don; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit; Thomas Peeples ~ friend of Jeff Graham
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; Sarah & Mason Young ~ cousins of Judy McGregor
Bob Kortenhoeven~ brother of a friend of Judy McGregor
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

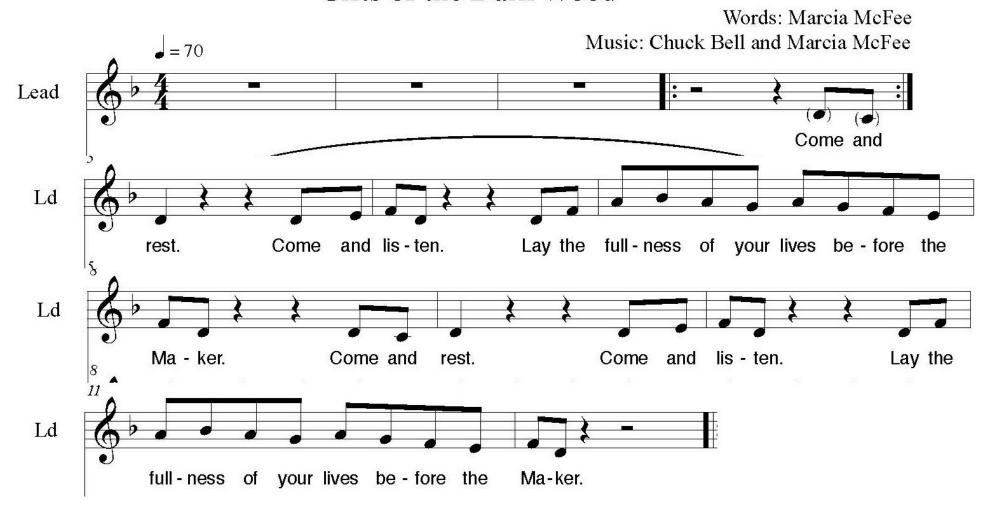
Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook; Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips
Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo; Leslie Benoit ~ daughter of Tamar Duthie
Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling & Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron & Janet Frank
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon & Marion Davis

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

Score

Come and Rest

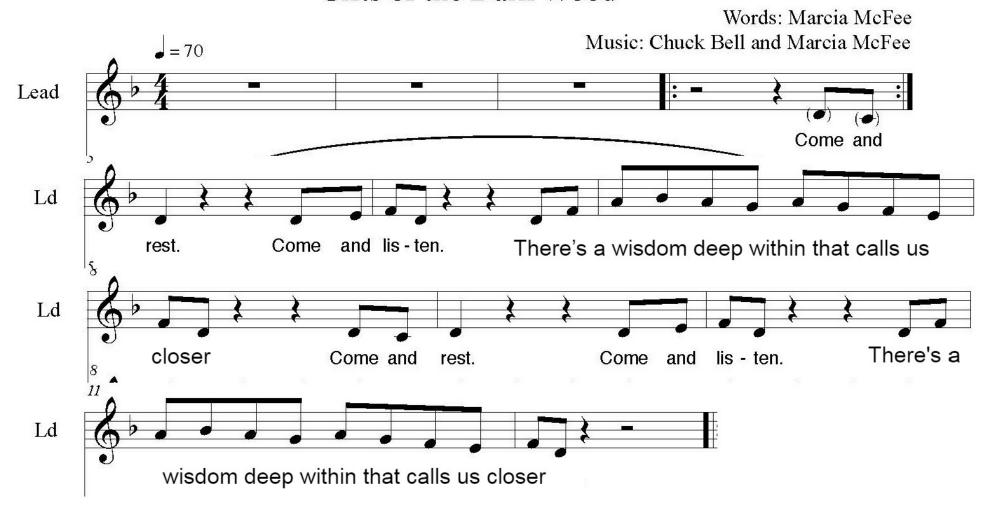
Gifts of the Dark Wood



Score

Come and Rest

Gifts of the Dark Wood



182 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



Each stanza here pairs an invitation from Jesus with a response from the narrator. These three invitations recall how Jesus welcomed those who were heavy laden (Matthew 11:28), offered living water (John 4:10–14), and identified himself as the light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5).

Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet



The refrain of this 20th-century song is a quotation of Psalm 119:105 in the King James Version. That longest of all psalms celebrates the gift of God's law by accumulating many synonyms for it. In Christian practice, this verse has been used to give thanks for all Scripture.





This praise and worship song can best be understood as reflecting on and expanding 1 Chronicles 29:14b: "For all things come of you, [O Lord,] and of your own have we given you." There are also echoes of Paul's appeal for Christians to be living sacrifices (Romans 12:1).

