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Bulletin

July 24, 2016

10th Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am

SILENT MEDITATION

“When nothing is sure, everything is possible.” -Margaret Drabble

GATHERING

PRELUDE

“Partita on Crimond” (Young)

-Carol Graham

WELCOMING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

-Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

-Rev. Frank Hallock

INTROIT

“Amen Siakudumisa”

-Chancel Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God has been looking for you. Where have you been off to this time?

People: We have been around. There are so many distractions in our lives.

Leader: How long has it been?

People: It's been too long since we were reminded of God's unrelenting love.

Leader: Are you ready?

People: We're ready. We're exhausted chasing the elusive dreams of the world. We need God!

Leader: Then come home. Come back to the place where you are loved, no matter what.

People: Gladly we come home. Gladly we are here. Gladly we sing of the welcoming love of God!

PRAYER AND PRAISE

*HYMN OF PRAISE

“This Is My Song”

-UMH 437

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Isaiah 43:1-7 in the Old Testament*

-Nancy Winters

Leader: For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
For the Word of God within us,

People: Praise be to God.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD



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COMMUNITY PRAYER

Holy God, the way of the cross was a scandal 2,000 years ago, and it is no less a scandal today. The cross calls us to lives of humility in a world where pride, arrogance and self-promotion are seen as virtues. The cross proclaims peace in the midst of war, violence and abuse. It pleads for justice, assailing the disparities between rich and poor, sick and well, hungry and full, sheltered and homeless that we excuse as the status quo. The cross bleeds love and cries mercy, and it asks us to live—and to die—with the same love and mercy of Christ. Enable us, Lord, by your power and grace, to give ourselves fully to what the cross asks of us. For the sake of Christ we pray. Amen.

HYMN OF PREPARATION *“Take My Life, and Let it Be”* -UMH 399

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER -UMH 895

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, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

ANTHEM *“Shall We Gather at the River?”* (J. Carter) -Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Luke 11:1-10 in the New Testament* -Nancy Winters

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THE MESSAGE *“How Do I Pray?”* -Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory *“How Beautiful”* (Shackley) -Brenda Foss, Piano/Carol Graham, Organ

***Doxology** *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”* UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,
whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



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Note: Video Tech: Phil Biggs; Sound Tech: Beth Brainerd Hallock; and Acolyte(s): Christian and Kendall

Flowers are given by Victor and Patricia Avila in honor of their 45th wedding anniversary today and in memory of Patricia's father, William McGill.