

November 29, 2020
St. Mark's United Church of Christ
St. James United Church of Christ

Rev. Dr. Patrick Schultz
Pastor

Randy Sohn
Organist

Prelude Music
Gathering in Readiness for Worship
Ringing of the Bells

He Touched Me

Call to Worship (Responsively)

L: Brothers and sisters, boys and girls ~

P: Come and worship!

L: Even if you're tired and worn out ~

P: Come and worship!

L: Lay down the heavy things you are carrying ~

P: Come and worship!

L: Listen to what Jesus wants to tell you ~

P: Come and worship!

L: See if you can discover how Jesus wants to use you ~

P: Come and worship!

A: For Jesus is humble and gentle, and he will give us everything we need to follow him.

Opening Prayer (all together)

Lord of heaven and earth, we gather in your presence with thanksgiving and praise for the way in which you have revealed yourself to us. Through Jesus Christ, your Son, we have come to know and love you; we have caught a glimpse of your heart, and we have heard the call to follow. Continue to reveal yourself to us as we worship. May your Holy Spirit open our minds and hearts to your presence here, and to the word that you have for us this morning. We long to meet you here, and to know you better. In the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen

Praising God in Music

*Glory Be to God the Father
There is a Balm in Gilead*

Scripture Reading

L: This is the Word of God for you, the People of God.

P: Thanks Be to God.

Matthew 11:28-30

Message:

There When You Need It The Most
Ms. Sherrie Tuma Czechanski and Rev. Dr. Patrick Schultz

Prayers and Joys of the Congregation

We Affirm Our Faith Together:

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead: I believe in the Holy Spirit; the One Holy Universal Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

Offering, Tithes and Gifts can be made on-line through our website (**St. James Only**), or by mailing your offering to: St. James UCC, 13312 Pioneer Road, Newton, WI 53063 OR St. Mark's UCC, W1307 Orchard Road, Cleveland, WI 53015

Offertory Music

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving (all together)

We long for the time when the meek shall inherit the earth and all who hunger and thirst after justice shall be satisfied, and we believe that, despite the persistence of evil, now is always the time when more good can be done and we can make a difference. May it be so, through the offering of these gifts and the offering of our lives. Amen.

A Sending Forth Song

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

Benediction (Isaiah 2:1-5)

Go forth and walk the path of the Lord. Go and live as one instructed in the ways of the Lord. Take the weapons of your life, and turn them into instruments of peace and justice. Praise be to our God who shows us the way! Amen.

Postlude

This Week We Celebrate:

Birthdays: Nov. 29th - Barb Reimer; 30th - Logan Strysick, Donna Wippermann;

Dec. 4th - Tyler Bramstedt, Ellen Mae Surfus, Jim Taylor

Anniversary: Dec. 2nd - William & Dorothy Mueller

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Poinsettia orders are due TODAY! The cost is \$9.50 with a choice of red or white flowers. Contact Wendy Henschel from St. James or Judy Steinbeck at St. Mark's if you have a question or an order today. While church is being held virtually, be assured that you will still get your poinsettia. Arrangements are being made for pick up and/or delivery and you will be contacted.

December Newsletter Articles are due TODAY.

Adopt-a-Family Gifts are due on Sunday, Dec. 13th. If you are interested in helping these families in need, you could write a check to your church and write "Adopt-a-Family" in the memo line and mail to your church:
St. James UCC, 13312 Pioneer Road, Newton, WI 53063
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****Be sure that the checks arrive at church prior to Dec. 13th so that they are able to get to the families.**

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Guest Speaker on Sunday, Nov. 29th is

Sherrie Tuma Czechanski,
Care Transition Coordinator with St. Croix Hospice



Hospice myths and misconceptions keep many patients and their families from receiving the full support of hospice care. Entering hospice early has many benefits including symptom management, pain relief, medical stabilization and comprehensive support for patients and their families.

Myth: Hospice care is available for patients with only days or weeks to live.
Truth: Anyone with a life expectancy of six months or less may begin hospice care. Patients who live longer than six months may continue to be eligible.

Myth: Hospice is only for cancer patients.
Truth: Patients with any life-limiting illness or terminal diagnosis can benefit from hospice services.

Myth: Hospice care is expensive.
Truth: Hospice care is covered by Medicare, Medicaid and most private insurers.

Myth: Hospice means only physical care.
Truth: Hospice care also includes social, emotional and spiritual support for patients and their loved ones—including access to additional community resources.

Myth: Hospice means "giving up."
Truth: Hospice means shifting to a focus on quality of life for patients and their loved ones.

Myth: Patients must be hospitalized to receive hospice.
Truth: Hospice can be provided wherever patients call home including assisted living facilities, nursing homes and private residences.

Myth: You cannot see your primary doctor after you begin hospice.
Truth: You may continue to see your primary doctor for as long as you would like; hospice works in partnership with primary care physicians.

"Hospice Advocacy and Education drives my dedication to those I serve...Quality of Life and Quality of Care really does Matter...Hospice is a Gift rather than an ending."

Sherrie has been in the geriatric field for 21 years. Her expertise includes: Assisted Living Operations, Skilled Nursing/Acute Facilities Regional roles, Hospital Systems Educator to Physicians, Clinicians and Community, as well as Senior Care Advocation through consulting roles. Her mentor is her Mother who was in Healthcare for 40+ years. Dignity, Respect, and Compassion drives her mission to assist others in their journey through life!

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