



Sabbath

October 17, 2021



**WASHINGTON
STREET**

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The congregation of Washington Street UMC praises and serves God from the heart of the city in ways that reach our neighbors near and far. We welcome and affirm all who seek the love and mercy of Christ regardless of race, creed, age, gender, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic status. We honor traditions as rooted in our history, our expression of worship, and our respect for theological curiosity. We nonetheless see vital change and ongoing renewal as essential for spiritual growth.

WASHINGTON STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
October 17, 2021

11:00 AM - Sanctuary

Liturgical Color: Green, symbolizing our growth in Christ
*(As our worship begins, please silence any electronic devices. Portable hearing devices are available in the Narthex.
Please ask an usher for assistance.)*

GATHERING IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

WELCOME

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 92:1-4

One: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

All: to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night,

One: to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.

All: For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands, I sing for joy.

*HYMN 144

This Is My Father's World

TERRA BEATA

Words: Maltbie Dr. Babcock, 1901

Music: Trad. English melody; adapt. by Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915

OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, you know how busy we are. You know all of the things that constantly compete for our attention and don't want us to let go and rest. Help us to unplug and take time to spend with you, to relax, breathe and notice that you are here with us. Let time with you refresh and rejuvenate us and allow us to grow closer to you. In Jesus's name we pray. Amen

ANTHEM

For the Beauty of the Earth

JOHN RUTTER

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #883

A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,

to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

to celebrate God's presence,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*THE GLORIA PATRI 70

MEINEKE

Words: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent.
Music: Charles Meineke, 1844

LISTENING FOR GOD

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Genesis 2:1-3, Exodus 20:8-10

SOLO

How Great Thou Art
Bob Evans

arr. Dan Forrest

SERMON

“Sabbath”

Rev. Alston Lippert

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

*HYMN 89

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
(1, 2, 3)

HYMN TO JOY

Words: Henry Van Dyke, 1907; st. 4 alt. 1989
Music: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; setting by John Ferguson

*BENEDICTION

Please remain seated until the pastors have cleared the aisle.
Please remember to practice social distancing when exiting.

*POSTLUDE

**Congregation standing. If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated and continue your participation.*

When our worship ends, our service begins!

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Rev. Becky Shirley joins the entire staff and Washington Street Church family in expressing our deepest sympathy and Christian love to Kimberly McAlister and family in the passing of her mother, Grace McAlister on October 11, 2021.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Due to the continuation of the COVID 19 in our area and for the health and safety of our children, we will be filming our weekly Children's Moments which can be enjoyed each weekend on our website & Facebook .

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

- *Volunteer bakers are needed to bake goods for the upcoming Cake Walk at our Fall Festival on Oct. 31.*
 - *Participants are needed to decorate their cars and participate in Trunk or Treat at the Festival. Prizes will be awarded!*
- Contact Mackin Wall at mackin@wsmethodist.org if you are interested in either of these opportunities.*

ORGAN DONATIONS NEEDED

Contribute today to the organ fund! Help us keep her sounding beautiful! Give online at wsmethodist.org/giving or send a check today. Label in memo as organ fund.

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PRAYER THOUGHT

To keep God at the center of our lives requires frequent renewal of power through prayer.

PRAYER LIST

Thom Berry
Martha Boynton
Martha Brooker
Sally Christian
Heidi Conte
Mickey Epting

Frances Grimes
Bud Harrelson
Karen Horne
Geneva Hutchinson
Lisa Johnson
Rev. Judy King

Mike LeFever
Beverly McClanahan
David Middleton
Lauren, Greg, and Nora
Blair Middleton and
family
Rick Rowe

Boyd Saunders
Stephanie Saunders
Sarah Threatt
Tom Wall
Peggy Weston
Our homebound



All Saints Sunday is Nov. 7
Order your rose in memory of loved ones
online at
wsmethodist.org/allsaints
or outside in the narthex today & Oct. 24

Orders must be received by noon on Nov. 1

FORMS MUST ACCOMPANY ORDER!

SERVING TODAY

Usher
Sound/Video
Visitor Cards
Pew Maintenance

Tommy Betenbaugh
Lynn Shirley/Charles Garren
Suzanne Joye
Finance Committee

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Giving to-date (as of 10-14-21)
Church YTD \$537,777
Soup Cellar YTD \$61,461
Foundation Gifts YTD \$38,686
Attendance on 10/10: 94