

Sunday, November 14, 2021



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-fifth Sunday after Pentecost November 14, 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

Guest Organist, Mrs. Janet Marks

WELCOME

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

*CALL TO WORSHIP+

One: Praise the Lord.

All: Let all who draw breath praise the Lord.

One: Happy are those whose help is from God—the One who made heaven and earth, the One who created the seas and all that is in them.

All: Happy are those whose hope is in God—the One who keeps faith forever, the One who feeds the hungry and defends the oppressed.

One: God will reign forever, for all generations. Praise the Lord!

All: Let all who draw breath praise the Lord.

*HYMN 534 Be Still, My Soul FINLANDIA

Words: Katharina von Schlegel, 1752; trans. by Jane Borthwick, 1855 (Ps. 46:10) Music: Jean Sibelius, 1899; arr. from The Hymnal, 1933

OPENING PRAYER (To be prayed in unison)+

O God, who lifts us up, sets us free, and watches over us, visit us this day. Lift our spirits, and free our minds. Open our eyes and hearts to your words, your will, and the miracle of your holy presence that we may encounter you in the meeting of friends and in kindness to strangers. Lift us up, and set us free, O God. Watch over us, we pray. Amen.

ANTHEM

How Lovely are the Messengers

Felix Mendelssohn arr. Wallingford Riegger

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose 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 holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*THE GLORIA PATRI #70

MEINEKE

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

LISTENING FOR GOD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Kings 17:8-16

SOLO

What Wondrous Love Is This?

arr. Robert J. Powell

Soloist: Bob Evans

SERMON

Stepping Out In Faith

Rev. Alston Lippert

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 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.

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

*HYMN 130

God Will Take Care of You

MARTIN

Words: Civilla D. Martin, 1904 Music: W. Stillman Martin, 1905

*BENEDICTION

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

*POSTLUDE

Guest Organist, Mrs. Janet Marks

+ https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/3908/worship-elements-june-5-2016

 ${\it *Congregation standing.}\ If\ standing\ is\ uncomfortable,\ please\ remain\ seated\ and\ continue\ your\ participation.$

When our worship ends, our service begins!

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PRAYER THOUGHT

No matter what our circumstances, we can find a reason to be thankful.

PRAYER LIST

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David Middleton
Lauren, Greg, and Nora
Blair Middleton and
family
Rick Rowe
Boyd Saunders

Stephanie Saunders Sarah Threatt Marjorie Tuell Tom Wall Peggy Weston Our homebound



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Sound/Video Grant Jackson/Spencer Stevens
Visitor Cards Suzanne Joye
Pew Maintenance Finance Committee
Nursery Susan Hefelfinger

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Giving to-date (as of 10-14-21) Budget: \$471,497.25 Actual: \$615,907

Actual: \$615,907 Soup Cellar: \$69,327 Foundation Gifts: \$36,250 Attendance on 11/7: 89