

Service For The Lord's Day
Sunday August 23, 2020 - 9:30 a.m.

Rev. Anni Thorn, Pastor Myra Taylor, Worship Musician

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WE APPROACH GOD IN WORSHIP

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude: "I Love the Lord, Who Heard My Cry"

Lighting of the Candles

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord our God, the Maker of

P: **who comes to our aid in times of need, who gives us
the courage to do what we know is right,**

L: who invites us to turn away from the influences of the world

P: **This is our God! Let's worship together.**

*Opening Prayer (unison)

**We thank you, O Lord, that we are not alone. You watch
over us, guide us, and lead us in your righteous pathways.
When we stumble and fall, you lift us up and gently place
us on that pathway again. When we doubt, you surround us
with your mercy and peace, reassuring us of your presence
through the love of others and of our savior Jesus Christ.
Keep our hearts and minds open and ready to serve you,
for we pray these things in Jesus' name. AMEN.**

Confession and Assurance

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**There are far too many times, O Lord, when we have
neglected or ignored the needs of others because it just
wasn't convenient for us to help. We backed away with
excuses on our lips and indifference in our hearts.
Forgive us and set us on the right path of service and
compassion in the name of Jesus who modeled faithful
living for us. Remind us that we are residents of a global
community. Help us to hear the plight of those who have
been voiceless. With the gifts that we have and the love
of Christ, direct our lives in compassionate service to
others. In Jesus' name, we pray. AMEN.**

Silent Prayers of Confession

Words of Assurance

L: Through the abundance of God's mercy and forgiving love,

P: **Praise be to God! Amen.**

*Gloria Patri

PH #579

WE LISTEN AND SHARE GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Exodus 1:8 – 2:10 NRSV

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L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

WE RESPOND WITH THE GIFT OF OUR LIVES

*Hymn of Response: "Wherever I May Wander"

PH #294

Prayers of Intercession

Lord's Prayer (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 king-
dom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Offering of our Tithes and Offerings to the Lord

Offertory: *You may place your offerings in the offering plates at
the back of the sanctuary as you leave worship.*

Prayer of Dedication

*Benediction

L: The world awaits the love and gifts you have to offer. Go
forth in joy and peace to be God's witnesses this day and all
your days. Go in God's peace.

P: **Amen.**

Please be seated after the Benediction. The usher will dismiss
you by pews, beginning at the back of the sanctuary.

Postlude: "Guide My Feet"

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Church Nursery: The church nursery is available for parents who
have a need to take their child there during today's service. It is
closed to all others during this time.

Cell Phones: Please turn cell phones to silent during the worship service. Thank you.

LOOKING AHEAD

Thursday, August 27

6:00 p.m. Christian Ed Committee via Zoom

Thursday, September 3

11:00 a.m. PW Board

12:00 noon PW Gathering

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: A message from the PW Board-

We will resume our PW Gatherings beginning on Thursday, September 3!

The P.W. Board will meet in the basement at 11:00 a.m.

We will then gather at 12:00 noon in fellowship hall to have lunch and fellowship. Everyone is to bring a sack lunch and their own drink.

At approximately 1:00 p.m. we will begin our meeting. In order to keep our gathering time shorter we will be having just a devotion and business meeting after lunch.

Masks will be required and we will be practicing social distancing.

We will continue to pray for good health, and patience as our meeting's may need to change from month to month, but we are excited and thankful that we can once again come together to do the work God wants us to do.

Looking forward to seeing you on the September 3rd!

AUGUST WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 22

9:30 a.m. Worship in SANCTUARY with Pastor Anni

Sunday, August 23

9:30 a.m. ONLINE Worship

Saturday, August 29

9:30 a.m. Worship in SANCTUARY with Pastor Anni

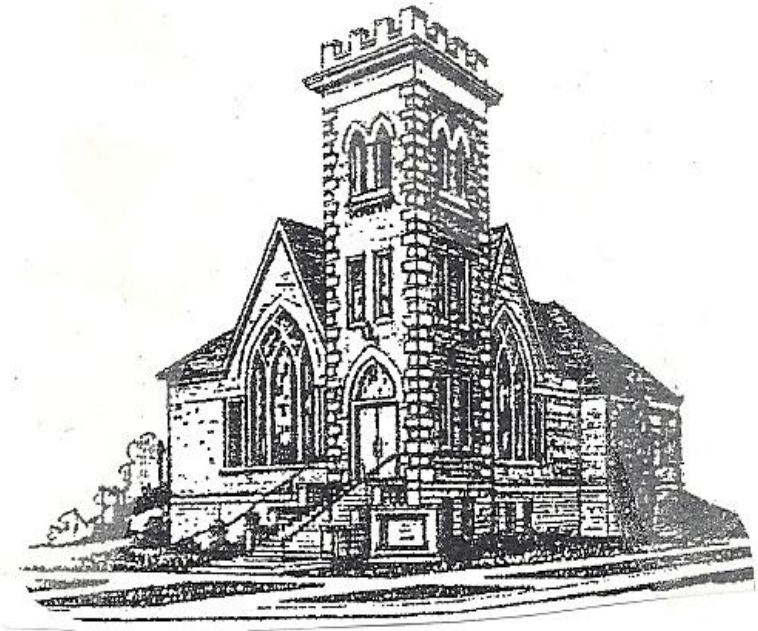
Sunday, August 30

9:30 a.m. ONLINE Worship

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