

A Time of Worship & Praise

19th Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2024

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

***Gathering Music:** *Bind Us Together*

FWS 2226

*Call to Worship

We come to worship, knowing the world is divided.

Prince of Peace, tear down the walls of separation.

Society makes us strangers and aliens.

Reconciling God, make us saints and members of your household.

We worship the Risen Christ knowing he is the firm foundation.

We worship Christ the Cornerstone!

*Opening Prayer

O God of Peace, you allowed your body to be broken,

so that all the people of the world might be made one in your love.

As we worship, open our hearts that we may love everyone as Christ first loved us. Open our minds that we might understand the ways you unite us in community. Open our doors that we might build upon the foundation of Christ Jesus himself. We pray all this in the hope-filled name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

***Hymn of Praise:** *The Church's One Foundation*

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Ministry Minute

WE LISTEN TO GOD

Scripture: Ephesians 2.13-22

This is the Word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Pastor Kolleen Queener

Affirmation

adapted, Steven Garnaas-Holmes

Christ is our peace. In Christ, God has made us into one flesh and broken down every dividing wall between us.

In Christ, God has created one new humanity, reconciling all to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death all hostility through it.

Jesus came and proclaimed peace to those who were far off and peace to those who were near. In Christ all of us have access in one Spirit to God.

So we are no longer strangers and aliens, but citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus as the cornerstone. Together we are built into a spiritual dwelling place for God.

Hymn of Response: *Be Thou My Vision*

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WE RESPOND TO GOD

Called to Pray

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

895

Called to Give Back

Offertory: *In Christ There is No East or West*

Randy Becker, guitar

***Doxology**

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*Prayer of Dedication

God who brings us close, use our gifts today to build up your household and grow us as a dwelling place for your very own Spirit. May we be defined, not by who we keep at arm's length, but by those we welcome with open arms. This we pray in Jesus name. Amen.

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE

*Benediction

Hymn of Joy: *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love* FWS 2223

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Oct 6 World Communion & Family Worship: Adult Sunday School 8:45, Worship & Communication, 10 am, followed by soup brunch/lunch ALL IN Family Life Center!

Do Unto Others – Kindness Campaign – Starts October 6th

How do you want to be treated? Jesus teaches the Golden Rule: “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.” He calls us to treat others with the same kindness we would want to receive in return. Yet during election season, division and polarity often take center stage. We can choose a better way. Join a Fall Growth Group to explore living with grace for others, even in this season. Starts October 6. Sign up today!

Outreach Mission Kits

We’re making Ingathering Kits for Midwest Missions—pick up a shopping list or consider a cash donation by Oct 6. You can help make a difference for people in crisis!



Save the Date!
October 13, 4:30-6:30 pm
Annual Soup Supper

Coming Up

- ◆ **Mon, Sept 30:** Card Club 12 pm; Horizons 1 pm
- ◆ **Tues, Oct 1:** Card Club 12 pm; Bible Study, 1:30 pm
- ◆ **Wed Oct 2:** Wednesday Night GiG, 5:30 pm; Youth Group, 6:30 pm
- ◆ **Thurs, Oct 3:** Horizons, 1 pm; Just 4 Kix 4:15 pm; AA, 7:30 pm
- ◆ **Sun Oct 6:** World Communion Sunday Family Worship in the FLC

Worship Stewards	Today	Next Week@ FLC World Communion
Acolytes	Owen Steffen	Mason Shirk
Liturgist	Randy Becker	Brian Garrels
AV	Duhn family	Hudson family
Livestream	Paxton Duhn	Randy Becker
Counters/Ushers	Greg H/Shayne K	Brian G/Karen S

FIRST UNITED

METHODIST CHURCH

September 29, 2024 - 10:00 am



**Just as water reflects the face,
 so the human heart reflects another.**

~ Proverbs 27.19



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