

July 29, 2018 – 10:00 am
10th Sunday after Pentecost

ST. JOHN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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where all are welcome.



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Please respond with words in **bold** print.

***Please stand if comfortably able**

- WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
- THE BELLS CALL US INTO SILENT REVERENCE.
- THE CANDLES ARE LIT TO LIGHT OUR WAY.

PRELUDE: “They’ll Know We Are Christians By Our Love” Mark Hayes

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP: Based on Psalm 14**

One: The foolish say, "There is no God!
We are alone, on our own."

**MANY: We gather to declare
the glory of God in our lives.**

One: The foolish say, "It is your life;
you are accountable to no one."

**MANY: We gather, strengthened by the Spirit,
trusting that Christ dwells in our hearts.**

One: The foolish say, "Everything I have is mine;
I owe nothing to anyone."

**MANY: We gather to praise the One
who calls us to serve others in love.**

***OPENING HYMN: NCH 575 “O For a World”**

***UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION:**

**We are seeking after you, loving God, for you are our
refuge. Your power is at work within and among us,
even when we are unaware. We want to respond, not
as fools, but as faithful friends of Jesus. We have come
to discover the riches we did not know we possessed.**

We are here to offer our best for the good of all. Use us, we pray, to accomplish in and through this church, far more than we can ask or imagine. All glory be to you, amazing God, in this and every hour, forever and ever. Amen.

***TRINITARIAN ACCLAMATION:**

***GLORIA PATRI"**

**Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit,
Three-in-One; As it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.**

EPISTLE READING: Ephesians 3:14-21 Lay Liturgist

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL:

***GOSPEL LESSON: John 6:1-21**

**MESSAGE: "Medical Mission to Peru"
Barb Whitaker, RN, BSN, MSN**

***HYMN OF RESPONSE: NCH 384
"For the Faithful Who Have Answered"**

PASTORAL PRAYER:
Beginning with silent personal prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your 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 kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE: NCH 769

**Hear our prayer, O God, hear our prayer, O God;
Incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.**

OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES AND SELVES

OFFERTORY: “He Who Began a Good Work in You” Jon Mohr

***DOXOLOGY: # 780**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above you, heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION:**

In our hands, the gifts seem so paltry, but in yours, they can bring plentitude of grace to those who are so hungry for hope. In our hearts, we wonder how effective our ministries might be, but joined with yours, we can indeed bring healing, community, peace, and joy to our struggling communities. Bless us and our gifts, multiply our hopes and our efforts, that your wonders might come into the world around us. Amen.

***SENDING HYMN: NCH 495**

“Called As Partners in Christ’s Service”

***BENEDICTION:**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE: Three-fold Amen**

“Amen, Amen, Amen”

POSTLUDE: With Trumpets and Horn G.F. Handel

“Our worship has ended – Now our service begins.”