

Order of worship
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 20, 2019 10:00am
*****indicates to stand if able*

MORNING MEDITATION

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in matter pray and petition; and with thanksgiving, present your requests confidently and honestly to God.” Philippians 4:6

PRELUDE

Stephen Monska

WORDS OF WELCOME

Joyce Monska

******CALL TO WORSHIP** [based on Psalm 100]

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

People: Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with thanksgiving.

Leader: Know that the Lord is good: We are the sheep of his pasture.

People: Enter into his gates with thanksgiving and into God's court with praise.

Leader: Be thankful to God and bless his name!

People: For the Lord is good, God's mercy is everlasting, and God's truth endures forever.

OPENING HYMN: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

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INVOCATION

Joyce Monska

Leader: O great and wonderful God, may your blessings fall upon us this October day.

People: As we gather, let us be mindful that no matter what we think or do, you O Lord remain; steadfast and loving, full of acceptance that we are your children.

Leader: You have given us a life of encouragement and strength to overcome obstacles in our path.

People: Help us O God, to understand your teachings, to use your gifts in our lives, and to share them with others.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. David F. Hurst

Leader: O Lord, we face so many challenges, we sometimes feel that our way is best.

We think we are in control and can do it ourselves, but our stubbornness only creates disappointment.

People: O Lord when we wrestle with life; help us to surrender to faith. Then we can hear God's word and act upon it so that we find peace among our fellows.

Leader: O Merciful God, forgive our sins and character defects. He are only human, but we come to you with sincere and open hearts

People: Grant us your salvation and peace. Keep us strong in your loving hands.

PRAYER OF ASSURANCE

Rev. David F. Hurst

Christ is our peace. Those who are divided, He has made one. Christ has broken down barriers and promises reconciliation to those who repent and believe. We are forgiven! Let us live as reconciled people! **PEOPLE: Alleluia! Thanks Be To God!**

****** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Joyce Monska

PASLTER READING: Psalm 121 (Red Hymnal pg. 844)

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JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. David F. Hurst

Pastoral Prayers

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer

******RESPONSE: "Glory Be to the Father"**

SCRIPTURE READING/First Lesson: Jeremiah 31: 27-34

(Chair Bible Old Testament pg. 735)

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******HYMN OF PREPARATION: "Be Thou My Vision"**

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SCRIPTURE READING/Second Lesson: Luke 18: 1-8

(Chair Bible New Testament pg. 81)

Rev. David F. Hurst

SERMON: "No Accounting for Persistence"

Rev. David F. Hurst

THANKSGIVING AND HOLY COMMUNION

UMH pg. 15-16

We celebrate an open Communion Table – All are welcome at the Lord's Table!

MINISTRY OF GIVING

Stephen Monska

******Doxology**

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our gifts; Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts Praise the Spirit! Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

Prayer of Dedication

******PARTING HYMN: "Soldiers of Christ Arise"**

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(Please be seated following singing of hymn)

BENEDICTION

Leader: Let us go forth into the world with confidence, knowing that God is with us.

People: Let us seek guidance through the Word of Jesus Christ, which may come from the most unlikely of sources. So help us to listen and rest our faith upon the knowledge that the Holy Spirit abides within us, and strengthens us to live each day in his infinite grace. AMEN

POSTLUDE

Stephen Monska

Attendance for Sunday, October 13th: Adults 23

WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

Week of October 20th

Sunday, October 20th - Morning Worship (communion) (Fellowship time to follow in Library)	10:00am
Bible Study, (Pastor's Office)	11:15am
Wednesday, October 23rd - Office Hours 8:30am - 1:30am	
Wednesday, October 23rd - Annual Conference (Library)	6:00pm

Week of October 27th

Sunday, October 27th - Morning Worship (Fellowship time to follow in Library)	10:00am
Bible Study, (Pastor's Office)	11:15am
Wednesday, October 30th - Office Hours 8:30am - 1:30pm	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL CONFERENCE - THIS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23RD (6PM) VERY IMPORTANT MEETING FOR ALL CHURCH MEMBERS TO ATTEND!!! AGENDA ITEMS WILL BE DISCUSSED ON THIS PAST YEAR OF 2019 AND FOR NEXT YEAR 2020. THERE ARE IMPORTANT ITEMS THAT WILL NEEDED TO BE VOTED ON AND YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT!! PLEASE MARK YOUR HOME CALENDAR AS YOUR ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT!

FAIR NEWS

The fair this year, as last year, will have a table for Christmas decoration that you probably have in your attic, cellar or closet that you no longer use. Well, pack them up and bring them to church either on Wednesday during office hours or on a Sunday Morning, November 10th. This table did very well last year so we want to fill it up again with some left over items from last year along with your new but used items.

See Virginia Ahart or Nancy Uhl

NEXT WEEK THERE WILL BE FURTHER INFORMATION ON OTHER FAIR TABLES.

We welcome Stephen Monska as guest organist this morning.

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"OPEN HEARTS, "OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS"

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2019
NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
COMMUNION SUNDAY
WORSHIP SERVICE 10:00am**



REV. DAVID F. HURST, PASTOR
Guest Organist, Stephen Monska