

PENTECOST – 22nd SUNDAY

10/21/2018

10:00 am

A special word of welcome to those visiting our church today. We are happy you joined us in worship. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to worship with us each Sunday and to participate in other activities and services here.

Please stand for acts of worship designated with an asterisk (*). Any who prefer may “rise up” in spirit only, if physically standing presents difficulties.

GATHERING

CHIMES CALLING US TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

**“Holy, Holy, Holy”
“We Bow Down”**

**Nancy Cook, Organist
Sanctuary Choir**

Welcome and Announcements: Pastor and Congregation

(Welcome and thanks for completing the yellow half sheet in the bulletin and dropping it in the offering plate. The prayer station in the back of the sanctuary is available for lighting a candle or leaving a prayer note any time before, during, or after worship).

***Note: Please be informed that our worship service is being recorded and carried live on face book and our website**

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** God know you best ... - Leader and Congregation

L: O come, let us worship and bow down

C: Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

L: Before you were born, I set you apart

C: I appointed you as a witness to the nations."

L: For the Lord is our God,

UNISON: We are the people of God’s pasture, the sheep of His hand. Amen!

***Opening HYMN # 454**

Open My Eyes, That I May See

LITANY: God’s Unsearchable Knowledge of you., Leader and Congregation (Insert)

CHILDREN’S TIME

Pastor

***PRAISE SONGS**

Led by Praise Team

GOD’S WORD IN SCRIPTURE

New Testament

Romans 12: 1-10

Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God,

Cong: Thanks be to God

Choir Anthem

“Psalm 107”

Nancy Cook, Director

Gospel

Mark 10: 35-45

Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God,

Cong: Thanks be to God

WITNESSING TO THE WORD

Theme: ASKING FOR WHAT YOU DON’T KNOW- A LIVE LESSON!

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Pastor

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.

OFFERING / OFFERTORY

Words of Invitation & Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory **“Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word”** **Nancy Cook, Organist**

***The Doxology # 95**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

All good and perfect gifts come from You, O Gracious and Generous God. As managers of all the gifts you have entrusted to our care, grant that we might faithfully trust You for the sufficiency of your supplies for both our earthly and eternal needs. Help us to be content with who we are, and that with which you have graciously blessed us. Guided by Your Spirit, may we use your gifts in ways that would foster your Kingdom’s work amongst us, in our community, and the world to the glory and honor of Your Holy name. Amen!

***UM HYMN # 399**

Take My Life and Let It Be

***SENDING FORTH IN GOD’S LOVE AND CARE/ BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

(Let’s greet those around us with words of farewell and peace).

Thank you for being a part of today’s worship experience.

Rest assured God loves you, and so do we all!

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LOOSE CHANGE OFFERING FOR OCTOBER

October's offering will benefit UNICEF. Simply place your change in the small brown envelope found in the pew racks or on the sanctuary tables and place it in the offering plate. Your continued support of our various mission projects is greatly appreciated.



HALLOWEEN PARTY OCTOBER 31ST 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

We'll be having a party for Halloween with fun games, snacks and more...

Come with a costume on or borrow one of ours.

Hope to see you there!!

If you'd like to help please sign up at the back table ☺

HOT MEAL PROGRAM - First Church is responsible for the Hot Meal at St. Luke's Hospitality Center on Monday, October 29th. We will be needing volunteers. If you can help by providing a casserole or with serving & clean up, please sign on the sheets located on the tables in the sanctuaries. Thank you for your continued support of this Outreach ministry.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF OUR PARISH AND THE WORLD

Thoughts for Teresa Herbst as she's having rotator cuff surgery this week. Prayers for a good surgery and fast recovery time.

Prayers are needed for all those in the path of Hurricane Michael.

Thoughts and prayers for Laurie Lewis and family.

Prayers for Debby Ganaway.

Prayers for Debra Bolle for guidance on a decision needed to be made for her leg/knee.

Thoughts and prayers for Bill and Laverne Fawcett for health and healing from surgery.

Prayers for strength during a trial and health for Laurie Lewis.

Prayers are with Rose Pettus who is having some health problems.

Prayers for Tammy Madden and her family.

Prayers for healing and good health for Pat Held's daughter.

Lithany of God's Unsearchable Knowledge of you - Leader and Congregation

L: For you created my inmost being;

C: you knit me together in my mother's womb.

L: I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;

C: your works are wonderful, I know that fully well.

L: My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place,

C: when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.

L: Your eyes saw my unformed body;

C: all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be. I proclaim you my Creator, in whom I delight

L: Your thoughts are not my thoughts,

C: neither are your ways my ways.

L: For as the heavens are higher than the earth,

C: so are my ways higher than your and my thoughts, declares the LORD!

L: As the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater,

UNISON: so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. Amen!

(Psalm 159: 13-16; Isaiah 55: 10-13; Jer. 1: 4-5)

OUR RECORD LAST WEEK

Worship Attendance	10:00 am - 48
Plate/Pledges	\$1274.00
Missions	\$22.00
Lake Lucerne Playground	\$120.00

COMING THIS WEEK

Today, Sunday, October 21

9:00 am – Adult Bible Study

10:00 am – Morning Worship

1:00 pm – Keith Griffin Pokemon League

5:00 pm – Casa de Dios Worship Service

Monday, October 22

6:30 pm – Casa de Dios Bible Study

Wednesday, October 24

Noon – Kiwanis

6:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, October 27

Noon – Sack Lunch Program, Plymouth Congregational, hosts



*Altar Flowers today are provided by Patti Walker.
The flowers are in memory of her family.*

HELP BUILD A PLAYGROUND AT LAKE LUCERNE!!

The children of First Church will have a “playground fundraiser” on **Sunday, October 28th**. The kids will decorate cookies for fellowship time and also have cookies and cupcakes for sale that morning! So, bring a bit of cash to church that day to help the kids in the effort to have a new playground at camp. Monetary donations are welcome at any time and should be directed through the church. Indicate Lake Lucerne Playground in the memo portion of any checks. Thanks so much for your continued support. Carol Feest, Co-director, Grandparent/Grandchild Camp

COMING UP VERY SOON!

Our Charge Conference is scheduled for Saturday November 3, 2018 at 2pm in the Fellowship Hall. As usual, all those in leadership positions that report to the Charge Conference, please begin and complete your reports by Friday October 20th. Remember, the system of reporting has changed from papers to online! If you have not received the online information, please let either Liza or me know so we can make it available. Moreover, if don't have access to computer/internet, ask Liza to down load the forms for you. Please return the filled out forms to Liza so she can enter the information on the District's website.

Thanks for all you do on behalf Jesus Christ through our congregation. May God Almighty continue to increase you in strength and wisdom in the name of Jesus Christ.

YOU ARE INVITED

Register Now: Learner-Leader Academy 2019

Sponsored by the Wisconsin Conference Connectional Table Resource Team, the Learner-Leader Academy (LLA) is an island of hope and strength that will encourage the culture of discipleship through collaborative leadership of laity and clergy in the Wisconsin Conference. The purpose of LLA is to intentionally revitalize local churches here in Wisconsin by resourcing and training clergy and laypersons in the areas of transformational small groups, evangelism, outreach, service, and leadership development.

The theme for 2019 is Leadership Development. Beginning **January 19th**, the LLA includes six sessions throughout 2019. Tuition is \$200.00 per person. We recommend one clergy and one lay member from each church. Limited number of scholarships are available. [Download the brochure](#) or [visit the registration page](#) for more information. Registration deadline is **December 3, 2018**.