

PENTECOST 24th -HOLY COMMUNION AND ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

11/04/2018

10:00 am

A special word of welcome to our first time guess! We are happy you joined us in worship today. 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 **“How Great Thou Art”** **Nancy Cook, Organist**
 “How Majestic Is Your Name” **Chancel Choir**

Welcome and Announcements **Pastor and Congregation**
(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)

(Thank you for completing the yellow half sheet in the bulletin and dropping it in the offering plate. We greet those around us with words of welcome and peace.)

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP: ONE FAMILY - Leader and People**

L: We are children of one GOD;

P: The One God that created us all!

L: Therefore we will love our one GOD and be faithful to one another!

P: And we will honor the teachings and covenant of our ancestors!

L: Be cautious of whom you follow, for some who appear great are small,

C: and some who seem faithful are far from GOD!

TOGETHER: We’ve come as sisters and brothers to celebrate our oneness in our one and only GOD! He is our Creator and is faithful to forgive our sins, strengthens us in our weakness and to wipe our tears away when we grieve. Amen.

Opening HYMN # 140

Great is Thy Faithfulness

OPENING PRAYER:

Congregation & Leader

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant us grace to follow you in imitation of your saints in all virtuous and godly living. Gracious God, help us come to those unspeakable joys which you have prepared for those who sincerely love you through the same Jesus Christ, whose body and blood given for our redemption we celebrate and share together today. Amen!

CELEBRATING AND HONORING THE LIVES OF ALL THE SAINTS:

Team on Memorial (See Insert)

CATEGORIES:

1ST DECEASED: (a candle lit and a bell tolls as a name is read)

2ND ALIVE: (No bell, but a candle may be lit as a name is lifted)

PRAISE TEAM

APPROACHING THE LORD’S TABLE (See Insert)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

CREATOR of us all, we thank you for the gifts of life, and for giving yourself to us in Jesus Christ. Jesus’ holy life, suffering, death and glorious resurrection delivered us from slavery to sin and eternal damnation. We also thank you that in the power of your Holy Spirit you have fed us in this Holy Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Finally, we thank you for reconciling us to yourself as your children, and to you be the glory, now and forever through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen!

Choir Anthem **“Majesty and Glory of Your Name”** **Nancy Cook, Director**

GOD’S WORD IN SCRIPTURE

Gospel:

Matthew 9:9-12

Reader:

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

Cong:

Thanks be to God

WITNESSING TO THE WORD

Theme: Calling the “TAX –COLLECTOR” what does that says to you about Jesus?

MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor

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.

***UM HYMN # 534**

Be Still My Soul

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

***POSTLUDE**

*** *LET US GREET THOSE AROUND US WITH WORDS OF SHOLAM***

THANKS FOR BEING A PART OF TODAY'S WORSHIP EXPERIENCE!

(Peace to be with you- Jesus loves you, so do I)

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JOYS AND CONCERNS OF OUR PARISH AND THE WORLD

Prayers for Favor and Blessing for Loretta and her children.

Prayers for Favor and Blessing with Financial Resources for Jonathan and Retha Blocher.

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

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.

THANK YOU to everyone who participated in our "Playground Fund Raiser" last week by purchasing the amazing cookies and cupcakes the "campers" made. We were able to raise \$257.00 for the playground to be installed at Lake Lucerne. This is an ongoing project and donations are always appreciated. Check out the Wisconsin Conference Website to learn how to donate on "Giving Tuesday" as well. Thanks again!

*****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.

Introduction

Rev. Jakes Voker

Call to Remembrance

Ed Guckenberger

"We do not want you to uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as those who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died." "Thus says the Lord, who created you, O Jacob, who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine." God knows each of us by name. Today we remember those members and those affiliated with First Church who have died and gone to their eternal glory since October 2017. We miss them deeply, Loving God, but knowing your saving love, we have entrusted them to your eternal care. We recognize, at this time, these parishioners and others for their dedication. (From 1 Thessalonians 4:13 – 14 and Isaiah 43:1)

Naming and Remembering

Jan Rosellini, Sue Mills and Patti Walker

(As each name is read, a candle will be lighted in their memory as a reminder of the light eternal that God has promised. The organ bell also will ring once after each name is read.)

IN MEMORIAM

<i>Jeanne Cape</i>	<i>1/8/18</i>	
<i>Marilyn Kappel</i>	<i>2/2/18</i>	
<i>Richard Kamenar</i>	<i>4/2/18</i>	
<i>Esther Wulff</i>	<i>4/8/18</i>	
<i>Irv Christensen</i>	<i>4/29/18</i>	
<i>Lyle Meekma</i>	<i>9/2/18</i>	
<i>Henrietta Welch</i>	<i>10/2/18</i>	
<i>Harold Schimek</i>	<i>10/7/18</i>	
<i>Richard Hannon</i>	<i>10/9/18</i>	

Psalm 23

APPROACHING THE LORD'S TABLE

Invitation: Our Lord invites to his table all who love him, and are truly sorry for their sins.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Cong: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Cong: It is right to give thanks and praise to our God.

Pastor: Let us now prepare our hearts for Christ's compassionate love to flow in us, so that through us the world might experience the transforming power of his redemptive work demonstrated on the cross for our sake.

Cong: Through repentance and humility, we open our hearts and offer ourselves to the transforming power of Christ's redeeming love.

Pastor: On the night before his betrayal and trial, Jesus shared one last meal with his disciples. What could he do to empower them to continue his redemptive work when he was gone back to heaven? Jesus loved his followers, and his heart went out to them. He took the bread, said a prayer to heaven, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, saying: "Take, eat, this is my body broken for you!" After a while, Jesus took a cup of grape juice, said a prayer to heaven, and gave it to his friends, saying: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant poured out for you and for many." He instructed them to remember him whenever they eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

Cong: When we receive Christ's body, we are united with him in his mission. When we receive Christ's blood, we are assured of his forgiven grace that cleanses and sets us free from all guilt and are made right with our God and neighbors.

Pastor: The table is now ready, you may come and share!

OUR RECORD LAST WEEK

Worship Attendance	10:00 am - 50
Plate/Pledges	\$857.17
Missions	\$21.00
Lake Lucerne Playground	\$356.00

COMING THIS WEEK

Today, Sunday, November 4

9:00 am – FFRANC Breakfast

10:00 am – Morning Worship

1:00 pm – Keith Griffin Pokemon League

5:00 pm – Casa de Dios Worship Service

Monday, November 5

6:30 pm – Casa de Dios Bible Study

Wednesday, November 7

Noon – Kiwanis

6:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, November 10

Noon – Sack Lunch Program, First Presbyterian, hosts

LOOSE CHANGE OFFERING FOR NOVEMBER

Tex Reynolds' Toys for Tots is a non-profit organization with the sole purpose of ensuring every needy child in the Racine County area has a wonderful holiday season. It is a challenging goal that takes, not only the hundreds of volunteers working at the Toys for Tots workshop and from home, but also the thousands of families that donate unneeded, unused or repairable toys to the program each year.

Ours is a story of helping hands trying to improve the quality of life in our community. We hope that you will read our story and join in our quest. (visit texreynoldstoysfortots.com) There are many aspects of the Toys for Tots program where your skills and talents (regardless of what they might be) can be utilized. Our volunteers work hard throughout the year, but it is a fun journey.

Don't have any toys to donate but would like to donate to this worthy cause?

Monetary donations are gratefully accepted year-round at the Toys for Tots workshop.