
We Gather in God's Name

As We Prepare for Worship

February is Black History Month. It began as a week in 1926, encompassing the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass. It was expanded to a month in 1976. Today's service is a mix of Gospel and Jazz. Both of these music traditions arise out of the experience of the Black community.

The following is an excerpt from Duke Ellington's sacred jazz work, "Come Sunday":

Lord, dear Lord above, God almighty,
God of love, please look down and see my people through.

I believe that God put sun and moon up in the sky.
I don't mind the gray skies
'cause they're just clouds passing by.

Heaven is a goodness time.
A brighter light on high.

Do unto others as you would have them do to you.

And have a brighter by and by.

Lord, dear Lord above, God almighty,
God of love, please look down and see my people through.

I believe God is now, was then and always will be.
With God's blessing we can make it through eternity.

Lord, dear Lord above, God almighty,
God of love, please look down and see my people through.

Prelude

“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”
African American Spiritual, arr. Dale Pforr

***Gathering Words** *Psalm 135:1-3, 5 (NRSV)*

Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD's name!

All you who serve the LORD, praise God! All you who stand in the LORD's house – who stand in the courtyards of our God's temple –

Praise the LORD, because the LORD is good!

Sing praises to God's name because it is beautiful!

Yes, we know for certain that the LORD is great – we know our Lord is greater than all other gods.

Let us praise the LORD!

***Gathering Song** “Do Lord” African American Spiritual

Refrain:

Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Look away beyond the blue.

I've got a home in glory land, that outshines the sun,
I've got a home in glory land, that outshines the sun,
I've got a home in glory land, that outshines the sun,
Look away beyond the blue.

Refrain.

I took Jesus as my Savior, you take Him too,
I took Jesus as my Savior, you take Him too,
I took Jesus as my Savior, you take Him too,
Look away beyond the blue.

Refrain

Call to Prayer *Exodus 2:23-25 (NRSV)*

²³After a long time the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned under their slavery, and cried out. Out of the slavery their cry for help rose up to God. ²⁴ God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. ²⁵ God looked upon the Israelites, and God took notice of them.

God's Word tells us that God hears us and does indeed remember us when we call out. Let us continue in prayer.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Lord, you hear the cry of the oppressed and the needy. We are thankful when these cries are our own. But though our own sufferings are real – and we need your help – the truth is that we are a privileged people.

In our own life, we have probably not done anything to oppress others. In fact, we have given to the needy. And it is true that we have worked hard for what we have and where we are. But it is also true that we have received benefits from our privilege that are not merited. And that others bear the cost of our privilege. And for this, we confess.

While we may not contribute to racial differences in sentencing, we confess we choose not to be concerned about it. God in your mercy:

Lord, hear our prayer.

While we may not contribute to inequality in lending, we confess that we choose not to be aware of it. God in your mercy:

Lord, hear our prayer.

While we may not contribute to violence in the central city that arises from a lack of hope and opportunity, we confess that we choose to believe there is a difference between us and them. God in your mercy:

Lord, hear our prayer.

While we may not contribute to racism and prejudice with our words, we confess that we often choose to be silent in the face of it. God in your mercy:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Faithful God, we join our voices with those who groan under their slavery, who cry out to you for justice. God in your mercy:

Lord, hear our prayer.

silent confession

Let the people say:

Amen.

Words of Assurance *Exodus 3:7-8 (NRSV)*

Then the LORD said, “I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey.”

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Our Response #582

“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

The Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

God’s Word Comes Alive

Prayer for Illumination – *from Ephesians 5:13*

Holy Spirit, illuminate your Word so that it may become visible before us. And make that which becomes visible, light within us so that we might light the world. Amen.

A Reading from Torah Genesis 37:23-28 (NRSV)

²³ So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; ²⁴ and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

²⁵ Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. ²⁶ Then Judah said to his brothers, “What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? ²⁷ Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.” And his brothers agreed. ²⁸ When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem “Waitin’ for the Mornin’” Choplin

Message “Is There No Balm in Gilead?” Rev. Michelle Henrichs

Our Sung Response #792 “There Is a Balm in Gilead”

**God Is Made Known to Us
Through the Breaking of Bread**

Communion

Welcome

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

Please use whichever words are most familiar to you.

Invitation

Sharing in the Cup and Loaf

We will be celebrating the Sacrament by intinction. All who desire to be fed by Jesus are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's supper. There are no requirements of membership. The elements are gluten- and alcohol-free.

Prayer after Communion

Our Shared Life

Welcome, members, guests and residents of Tudor Oaks! We hope that you will join us again soon. Please sign the red fellowship folder as it is passed.

God's Gifts Are Recognized with Thanks

Call to Offering

With thankful hearts we bring our gifts to the Lord.

Offertory "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" arr.Chuck Marohnic

***Doxology #609** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

***Prayer of Dedication** (*unison*)

God, giver of all good things, we offer you thanksgiving for all that you provide. We offer these gifts, and the gift of our life, so that your love and mercy may be known in the world. Amen.

***Sending Song #1** "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

*Benediction

Postlude

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”
arr. Dale Pforr and Emma Lou Diemer



Today and This Week at Heritage
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sacrament of Holy Communion
Jazz/Gospel Service

- 8:45 a.m. Jazz rehearsal
9:25 a.m. Choir rehearsal
10:00 a.m. Worship: Rev. Michelle Henrichs
Liturgist: Brandy Bohman
Communion: Glenn & Gigi Sheridan
Ushers/Greeters: Glenn & Gigi Sheridan
Set-up / Take-down: Ron Kohler & helpers
11:00 a.m. Fellowship Time
Refreshments: Congregational Conversation
& lunch (Multi-Purpose Room)

Tuesday

4:30 p.m. Worship Council meeting

Saturday

Time TBA Shelter Rehearsal, Jerusalem Presbyterian

Next Sunday, Feb. 10
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:30 a.m. Shelter Service Rehearsal at Jerusalem Presbyterian
9:30 a.m. Shelter Service at Jerusalem Presbyterian
10:00 a.m. Worship, Tudor Oaks: Janet Ahrens
Liturgist: Paul Ahrens
Guest pianist: Janet Blanco
Ushers/Greeters: Kathy Buehler
Roxanne Lawrence
Set-up / Take-down: Ron Kohler & helpers

11:00 a.m. Fellowship time
Refreshments: still needed

A Visit with the Pastor

Pastor Michelle is in the office on Tuesday afternoons (except the 3rd Tuesday) from 2:00 - 4:30. If you would like a visit with Pastor Michelle at another time, please contact her at 262-488-5100 or mahenrichs@gmail.com. You may also leave a message with the church office at 414-425-2050.

Prayer Concerns and Celebrations

Each week, we remember two families in prayer. We thank God for them, ask God's blessing upon them and God's presence with them. Please keep these highlighted families and the other listed people and places in your personal prayers throughout the week.

Highlighted Families: Kathy Buehler
Christina, Tim and Kayla
Janet & Paul Ahrens

Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: Presbytery of St. Andrew, MS
The people of Taiwan

Praying for the Persecuted Church: Maldives

Birthday: Feb. 9 David Symes
Anniversaries: Feb. 6 Guy & Louise Osborn
Feb. 8 John & Joane Kavajecz

In Our Prayers

This week's prayer list:

Lauren & Chris Giuliani are expecting their new baby February 1 at the latest.

Caroline Breitbach Ivanoff and family had a successful move to Tacoma, Washington.

Thanks for safe travels for the **Ahrens family** who returned from Manitowish Waters last Sunday afternoon – Janet to New Berlin, Samuel and family to Michigan and Sarah and family to Madison.

Safety for all those affected by the nasty weather this past week, especially those without places to stay warm.

Jean Ripple's friend, Sidney Weiss, is facing surgery for an infection in her hip, which could result in a lot of tissue loss. Since mid-November she has lost her husband, had a heart attack and suffered sepsis.

Long time member, **Jerry Zebrick**, died Jan. 24. Please keep wife Pat, daughter Sherry (Ron) and son Craig (Linda) in your prayers.

Two health care residents passed away recently – **Marilyn Merrill** and **Estella Gilgenbach**. Estella had been worshipping with us regularly until recently and was a former choir director at Tippecanoe Church.

Our on-going prayer list:

Karen Anderson, Roxanne Lawrence, Jean Ripple, Gerry Kohl, Pat Zebrick, and Jane Arlozynski's brother Earl Duckwall.

Announcements

In case a Tudor Oaks resident needs assistance, please notify the Nursing Station in the Health Center or the Front Desk or call 1-414-529-0100.

The Wired Word Update

The Wired Word will not meet today due to the Congregational Conversation and Lunch. Since next Sunday (Feb. 10) is a Shelter Service, The Word Word's next meeting will be Feb. 17.

Pastor's Bible Study Update

The Bible Study group meets at 1:00 p.m. every Tuesday of the month except the third Tuesday. Join us as we reflect on the texts for the following Sunday. For more information, please contact Pastor Michelle at mahenrichs@gmail.com.

Blood Drive at Forest Park, Monday, Feb. 4

Be a Hero! Visit Forest Park's Blood Drive on Monday, February 4! The event will take place at Forest Park Presbyterian Church (2300 S. Sunny Slope Road in New Berlin) in the lower level Fellowship Hall from 2:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are always welcome! Please make your appointment online at: https://donor.bcw.edu/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/171032 or contact Denine Dulde at 262-786-8390 or ddulde@hotmail.com.

The Blood Center is giving a cute pair of socks to all donors. The bottom of one sock says, "R U My Type?" The other has the Blood Center logo on it.

Congregational Conversation and Lunch Today

Join us this Sunday after worship for lunch and a congregational conversation: What do you want to do this year? We will be discussing fellowship, worship, and other ideas in the life of the church.

The 2019 Shelter Service

The 2019 Shelter Service will support The Waukesha Women's Center. Helping to provide safe shelter for those in very trying times will be our focus. TWC does so much! They really have no limits to what they are willing to do for their clients to make their lives seem as normal as possible and help guide them through their healing and eventual independence. That's why we decided to support the Client Resource Fund through our Shelter Service. There are so many stories and examples of how that fund has changed a life or saved a life!

If you'd like to help out with the Shelter Service, please let Connie Fellows know ASAP of your availability for the following dates: Feb. 10, Feb. 24, March 3, and March 10.

S.O.S. (Share Our Suppers)

Heritage is again making and serving meals at Tippecanoe this winter. We are committed to every Monday in February. We join in conversation with guests before and during dinners as we sit with them sharing the meal. If you think you can join us in this ministry, contact Jan Tesch or any member of the Mission council. Here are some ways you could help:

1. Donate money to defray costs of purchasing food.
2. Offer to make part of a meal; salad, bread or dessert or side dish.
3. Delivery of food/meal to Tippe if needed.

For those who have done this in the past, some of the guidelines have changed this year.

1. On the night you serve the meal, you can arrive as early as 5:30 p.m. to warm food if needed. The doors open at 6 p.m. for guests. Servers, guests, hosts, and pastors gather at 6:30 for prayer, and dinner is served at 6:45 p.m. *These times are changed from the previous year.*
2. Clean up items you are taking home; the kitchen is cleaned by the guests.
3. While we encourage large groups to join in making meals, *please send only 2 – 4 people to serve.* With our limited space, we want servers to be able to sit with guests to eat.
4. Plan for serving 30-35 people. Dinner is buffet-style with all serving themselves.
5. Focus the meal on proteins. Brats, burgers, chicken, casseroles

with meat. Include a side dish, salad, vegetables and dessert.
Please no nuts. And bring 2 gallons of milk.

6. Many of the guests have dental issues, so soft breads and fruits are the best choice.
7. For extras the next day, you could add things like granola bars, pop tarts, peanut butter & jelly, cereal, packaged chips and crackers, hard boiled eggs, oranges, apples and bananas.
New This Year: After dinner, you are invited upstairs for a time of reflection on your experience.

And if you would like to be “on call” for making lunch on the very frigid days when guests are allowed to stay till noon, please email Crystal at sosmealsdi@gmail.com with any questions.

Needed for Larry Under the Bridge

We're not at the "Old Mother Hubbard" stage yet, ... but we are in need of the following supplies:

toilet paper
paper towels
foot powder
laundry pods
razors
toilet paper
sweatpants & tops (all sizes)
long underwear tops & bottoms (all sizes)
white socks
paper towels
Ziplock sandwich bags
Ziplock gallon-size bags
Aluminum foil
toilet paper
napkins
dish soap

Did I mention toilet paper and paper towels?

If you are able to provide any of these items, please bring them to Tippe and leave them by the side door (1st St. side of the building).

Thank you!

Crystal (and Larry who provided the list)