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WORSHIP TIME: 10:30AM

Sunday School during worship/ Coffee Hour follows worship Celebrating over 190 years of serving Christ and the community Incorporated: September 1828

Our Mission Statement: To be a church alive with Christ by living, growing and declaring the Good News of Jesus.

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Music Director: Winnie Sortman

First UMC Greene

Sunday, May 22, 2022; 10:30am 6th Sunday of Easter

PRELUDE – At this time, please settle into a spirit of silent meditation so to prepare for your encounter with God.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Westminster Chimes

WORDS OF WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, and EXPECTATIONS:

I expect to meet Jesus Christ, I expect to be blessed by Jesus Christ, I expect to grow in my discipleship of Jesus Christ here in this worship space today.

*Please stand for the entrance of the light of Christ

*INTROIT: Sanctuary FWS 2164

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

Let us pray: Today, O God, as we gather, we pray come as holy light to enlighten our minds. Come as holy truth to teach us your way. Come as holy wind to blow a fresh work of your Spirit. Come as holy fire to cleanse us from all sin. Come as holy power to send us into your service. In Jesus' name...Amen.

Lector: Amanda Mosher

*OPENING HYMN: Where Charity and Love Prevail UMH 549
PSALTER LESSON Psalm 67 UMH 791
*GLORIA PATRI
*GOSPEL LESSON: John 14:23-29
Lector: Amanda Mosher
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Conclude with: "Here ends the reading" then invite the children forward.

CHILDREN'S TIME This, This is Where Children Belong TFWS 2233 Hands In Service (H.I.S.)

(Children leave for Sunday School after the lesson)

ANTHEM Chancel Choir

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 16:9-15

Leader: This is the Word of God, for us the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Destiny or Defeat...which will you choose? Pastor Michele

PASTORAL PRAYER with The Lord's Prayer

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.

*CLOSING HYMN A Charge to Keep I Have UMH 416

*BENEDICTION...

L: May the Peace of Christ be with you

P: And also with you.

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE Go Make of All Disciples UMH 664 v.1

POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you are able in body or in spirit

Church life and events:

- 1) Laity Gathering with Bishop Webb Next month, Upper New York Area Resident Bishop, Mark J. Webb, will be hosting regional gatherings with laity for a time of worship, conversation, and celebration of mission and ministry. This will be a time to converse about the current realities within the UMC and the opportunities found in our call to live out the mission of Jesus Christ for today and into the future.
 - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!! June 13, 2022 @ 6:30 pm 8:00pm at Nimmonsburg UMC
- 1) Do YOU feel called to help in Worship? We'd love to have you help out in the following positions: Greeter, Candle Bearer, Lector or Choir. Please see Pastor Michele or Winnie Sortman if you would like to learn more about these positions.
- 2) Pastor Michele has been asked to establish a "confirmation" class for adults who would like to learn more about, and grow deeper in, their discipleship of Jesus Christ as well as knowledge of the Church. If you would like to be a part of this group, please see Pastor Michele. The goal is to have a visioning or planning meeting in late June at which time we can discern the curriculum/plan as well as schedule. I hope you'll consider joining this group of disciples.
- 3) The **Fundraiser** for our upgrade to the Audio-Visual system is continuing. We are currently more than half-way to our goal; THANK YOU all for such generous giving. Please give as you are able by using the provided envelopes (if you offer cash, please write your name on the envelope) or by giving online via our webpage (be sure to select the correct designation for your gift). See flyers around the church for more details.
- 4) **Sanctuary AV UPDATE**: Pre-wiring has been completed and installation will begin on the 24th and will hopefully be completed by 5/29.
- 5) Help fill the **Blessing Box!** We are in need of spaghetti, noodles, spaghetti sauce, and tuna fish.
- 6) **Food Pantry Needs**: Canned peas, carrots, cream corn and French green beans, Mashed potatoes, egg noodles, jarred spaghetti sauce, cake mixes, frosting, Brownies, Knorr sides, cereals, juice (apple, orange, grape), graham crackers (plan or cinnamon sugar), NO SOUP AT THIS TIME
- 7) **NEXT Coffee Hour** will be Sunday, May 29 with **Team #1** serving.

Prayers of the People:

May God hear our prayers for... Teddy & Clifford Crampton, Emily Dunckle, Marti Edmonds, Jan & John Carr, World Peace, Scott G., Tina Hayes, Janet & Hillis Crandall, *Leah Pagliaroli*, *Fred Warnes, Scott Clark's cousins Susie, Charlie, and George*

<u>And also our New Prayer Requests for...</u> Dwayne Holcomb, Mary Swartout, all affected by the shootings in Buffalo as well as the shooter and his family, Kathy, Paul Sweet, Sadie Ellerson, Linda Gray, Jennice, Grant Sullivan, Lorna Eroshevich

NOTE: Names who are added to our prayer list will automatically stay on for two weeks. You will see these names in regular font the first week, *italics* the second week and the third week their name will

rotate off our list. When a name in *italics* should remain on our prayer list for an additional two-week rotation, please let Pastor know in writing via email or text. If you know of someone who can come OFF our prayer list also advise Pastor. Thank you.