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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, September 19, 2021; 10:30am 17th Sunday after Pentecost

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

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Ministry Moment – 4EverBricks and the Meditation Garden by Kylie Griffin

INTROIT

PRAYER of INVOCATION:

Who is the greatest among us? Who is the wisest? Who is the most righteous? Who is the most precious? These are earthly questions, human questions. But in your eyes, O God, all are precious. Through the work of Jesus, all may be made righteous. In the humility of the Spirit, all may find wisdom and true greatness. O great and wise God, the all righteous and most precious, receive our worship. Lead us to a deeper understanding of you as our Creator and of ourselves as your creation. For we ask in the righteous name of Jesus. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE Jesu, Jesu vv. 1-3 UMH 432

CONFESSION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed UMH 881

*GOSPEL LESSON Mark 9:30-37

ANTHEM

EPISTLE LESSON James 3:13-4:3,7-8a

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Two Kinds of Smart 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.

BENEDICTION...

L: May the Peace of Christ be with you...

P: And also with you.

BENEDICTION RESPONSE Let There Be Peace on Earth UMH 431

POSTLUDE

Announcements:

- 1) Church Council will meet on Tuesday, September 21, 6:00pm, at the church. Zoom will be made available as well.
- 2) Soup & Scripture is back! Our weekly Bible Study will be held from 11:30am -1:00pm every Thursday. We'll begin with a light meal and the last hour will be spent studying God's Word. We are studying Joshua. I hope everyone will join us for this opportunity to grow in discipleship.
- 3) From Applefest and Kay Clark Cherry pie baking-Thurs 8AM-9/23. These can't be frozen! Applefest is Sat 9/25 and we need help all day selling pies and cookies, donuts and coffee. Won't you volunteer some time to help out at this wonderful event?
- 4) We will begin collecting Hygiene Bags for the needy through the Greene Rotary as we have done in the past. These consist of the following: one bar of soap, one toothbrush, one regular size toothpaste, one hand/body lotion, one bottle shampoo...ALL of this must fit in a one gallon Ziploc baggie. See the sample in the Social Room. If you prefer to donate money or have questions, please contact Merelyn Rogers.
- 5) COFFEE HOUR is every Sunday after Worship. Have you told Kay Clark you want to be on a team? Call 607-725-4112 or email at kaysie.clark@gmail.com. Thank you!
- 6) If you wish to grow in your discipleship of God by assisting with Worship, we can always use Lectors (Readers) as well as help in other areas. Please see Pastor Michele if you feel called to help out in any way.
- 7) The weekly bulletin can be found on our webpage at fumcgreene.com, select the Bulletin tab and then the bulletin you're looking for.

Prayers of the People:

May God hear our prayers for... Teddy & Clifford Crampton, Joe Miranda, *Emily Dunckle, John Yetter, Riley (Morgan's friend), Anne Monaco, Nancy Bromley, Alice's nephew, Bruce Bowman*, Asa & Kennedy, Stephen TaylorRoth, *Jarrett Sturdevant, Gail Clark, Family and friends of Bob Holley*

And also our New Prayer Requests for... Linda Pezzino, Shirley Stinard, Sarah Mata, Jazmyne Mata, Joan Woerter, Kim Miranda

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.

SANCTIFYING AND PERFECTING GRACE 432 Jesu, Jesu Refrain (Unison) fill us with your love, show you. serve the neigh-bors we have from 1. Kneels at the feet his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their 2. Neigh-bors are rich and poor, neigh-bors are black 3. These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should 4. Lov-ing puts us on our knees, serv - ing as though we are Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash-ing their D.C.feet, slave Mas-ter who acts them. white, far neigh-bors are near and a - way. love; all these are neigh-bors to us you. and slaves, the way we should live is with you. feet, the way we should live this is with you.

WORDS: Tom Colvin, 1969 (Jn. 13:1-17)

MUSIC: Ghana folk song; adapt. by Tom Colvin, 1969; harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1988

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CHEREPONI Irr. with Refrain

Apostles Creed (UMH 881)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord:

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried.

He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty;

from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting.

Amen.

431 Let There Be Peace on Earth



*Original words: With God as our Father, brothers all are we. Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.

WORDS: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson

MUSIC: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson; harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1987

WORLD PEACE

