

## Worship Service October 30, 2022

**Welcome and Announcements** ~ Judy McGraw

Monday ~ Uplift Cancer Support Group meets in the vestry at 3 pm.

Wednesday ~ Mission Committee Meeting at 10:30 am in the vestry.  
Christian Education Committee Meeting at 7 pm via zoom.

Thursday ~ Interfaith Council Meeting at 11:45 am.  
We will have choir practice at 7 pm at church.

Operation Christmas Child Boxes are here in the vestry.  
If you would like to fill one or contribute to the cost for shipping them, we would be very grateful! They are due back by November 13<sup>th</sup>.

Happy Birthday to Jerry Pike on November 5<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you to Peggy Brockett for the flowers in loving memory of her mother, Dorothy Brophy.

**Word of Preparation** ~ Judy McGraw

**Prelude** ~ Jim Holden will share “*Dark Night of the Soul*” by Kate Campbell and Walt Aldridge as we prepare our hearts for worshipping the Lord.

**Call to Worship** ~ Judy McGraw will read a reflection on All Saints Day.

You are welcome to name and/ or light a candle for people you would like to remember before we sing the opening hymn.



**Song ~ “For All the Saints” (#637 in the blue hymnal)**

*For all the saints who from their labors rest  
Who thee by faith before the world confessed  
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest  
Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might  
Their strength and solace in the well-fought fight  
Thou, in the darkness dear, the one true light  
Alleluia, alleluia!*

*O blest communion, company divine!  
We live and struggle, they in glory shine  
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine  
Alleluia, alleluia!*

*And when the strife is fierce, the conflict long  
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song  
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong  
Alleluia, alleluia!*

*From earth’s wide bounds, from ocean’s farthest coast  
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host  
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost  
Alleluia, alleluia!*

Words ~ William How, 1864 Music ~ Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906 | Public Domain

**Lifting our Praises and Prayers to the Lord** ~  
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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 debts as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.  
Amen

**Choir Song ~ “Loving Him”**

**Song ~ “Who is My Mother, Who is My Brother?” (#486, blue)**

*Who is my mother, who is my brother?  
All those who gather round Jesus Christ  
Spirit-blown people, born from the Gospel sit at the table  
Round Jesus Christ  
Differently abled, differently labeled  
Widen the circle round Jesus Christ  
Crutches and stigmas, cultures’ enigmas  
All come together round Jesus Christ  
Love will relate us ~ color or status can’t segregate us  
Round Jesus Christ  
Family failings, human derailings ~ kindred in Spirit  
Round Jesus Christ  
Bound by one vision, met for one mission  
We claim each other, round Jesus Christ  
Here is my mother, here is my brother  
Kindred in Spirit, through Jesus Christ.*

Words ~ Shirley Murray Music ~ Jack Schrader, 1991 | Hope Publishing Co.

**Sermon Introduction ~ Pastor Rebecca Sommons**

**Scripture ~ 1 Corinthians 12:12-31 (NIV) read by Judy McGraw**

<sup>12</sup> Just as a body, though one, has many parts,  
but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.  
<sup>13</sup> For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—  
whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—  
and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.  
<sup>14</sup> Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.  
<sup>15</sup> Now if the foot should say,  
“Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,”  
it would not for that reason stop being part of the body.  
<sup>16</sup> And if the ear should say,  
“Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,”  
it would not for that reason stop being part of the body.  
<sup>17</sup> If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be?  
If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be?  
<sup>18</sup> But in fact God has placed the parts in the body,  
every one of them, just as he wanted them to be.  
<sup>19</sup> If they were all one part, where would the body be?  
<sup>20</sup> As it is, there are many parts, but one body.  
<sup>21</sup> The eye cannot say to the hand, “I don’t need you!”  
And the head cannot say to the feet, “I don’t need you!”  
<sup>22</sup> On the contrary,  
those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable,  
<sup>23</sup> and the parts that we think are less honorable  
we treat with special honor.  
And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty,  
<sup>24</sup> while our presentable parts need no special treatment.  
But God has put the body together,  
giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it,  
<sup>25</sup> so that there should be no division in the body,  
but that its parts should have equal concern for each other.  
<sup>26</sup> If one part suffers, every part suffers with it;  
if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.

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<sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ,  
and each one of you is a part of it.

<sup>28</sup> And God has placed in the church first of all apostles,  
second prophets,  
third teachers,  
then miracles,  
then gifts of healing,  
of helping,  
of guidance,  
and of different kinds of tongues.

<sup>29</sup> Are all apostles?  
Are all prophets?  
Are all teachers?

Do all work miracles?

<sup>30</sup> Do all have gifts of healing?

Do all speak in tongues?

Do all interpret?

<sup>31</sup> Now eagerly desire the greater gifts.

**Sermon ~ “Unity and Diversity in the Body of Christ”**

~ Pastor Rebecca

**Journaling questions for this week ~**

***What is the Holy Spirit inviting you to do  
the sake of unity in our church?***

***In what way can you honor someone  
who may feel insignificant?***

**Song ~ “As Grain on Scattered Hillsides” (#491, blue hymnal)**

*As grain on scattered hillsides, when gathered makes one bread  
God, gather all your people as one in Christ our head  
We come from many places, and we are not the same  
Yet your strong love has called us to meet in Jesus' name*

*A grain of wheat is fruitless until in earth it lies  
Then dying to its old life, it bears and multiplies  
So may we die to hatred, to all our hurtful ways  
Reborn to common living, to love, to work, to praise*

*Like yeast that brings new ferment so lifeless dough may rise  
Your Spirit is the leaven of life that satisfies  
As salt enhances flavor, enriches, and preserves  
My earth rejoice to savor a church that heals and serves*

*O Christ, our risen Savior; O Spirit, holy dove  
Come now and move among us; make us a sign of love  
Come, knead and blend each texture with strong and gentle hands  
That we may be one body, one loaf in many lands*

Words ~ Ruth Duck, 1986 Music ~ Hal H. Hopson, 1953 | Hope Publishing

**Benediction ~ Romans 15:5-7 9 (NLT)**

<sup>5</sup> May God, who gives this patience and encouragement,  
help you live in complete harmony with each other,  
as is fitting for followers of Christ Jesus.

<sup>6</sup> Then all of you can join together with one voice,  
giving praise and glory to God,  
the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup> Therefore, accept each other  
just as Christ has accepted you  
so that God will be given glory.