



St. John's Chapel United Church of Christ

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Liturgist: Rita Allen

October 25, 2009

Reformation Sunday

10:30 A.M.

**Denotes when all who are able to please stand.*

Gathering

Meditative Music

As we gather for worship we invite you to observe silence and enter into reflection.

*The theme of today's worship will focus on expecting miracles in our lives. You might want to read and reflect on **Mark 10:46-52** and how blind **Bartimaeus** reacted when he heard that Jesus was passing his way.*

Space to write down your thoughts: _____

Or you may wish to come forward and light a candle at the communion table to symbolize the concerns or joys you carry with you to worship, or whatever is in your heart and mind. Or you might want to spend time reflecting where you are, or if you reflect better walking, please walk around the sanctuary and reflect upon the images you encounter.

Meditative Hymn

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

No.30

Please remain seated for the musical conclusion of Meditation.

Acolyte: Ashley Blackwell

Welcome and Announcements

Members and guests, please sign the friendship pad and pass it down to the end of the pew noting the names of those seated near you. After worship, greet everyone near you.

Hymn of Celebration “Lobe Den Herren” verse 1, hymn tune No.20
“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” Sung in German by Chris Brammer

***Call to Celebration**

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: **Therefore we will not fear,**

***Hymn of Celebration** “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” verses. 2,3, & 4, No. 20

Call to Confession

Silent Meditation and Personal Confession

During this time of inward reflection and repentance, you may want to use “Examen,” which simply means an examining of our lives in a prayerful way. It is different from a prayer of confession in that it reviews both the good and the bad of our lives. You pause to look back over your week, or as many days as you wish to examine, and notice where you have partnered with God. In other words, when were you trying to do it alone and when did you ask God to assist you? You can also remember the events, encounters or insights that felt like gifts from God and those that did not. Or remember the times in the day when you gave and received love, and when you did not give or receive love. Once your days are reviewed and examined you may journal what you have uncovered, or simply imagine offering your insight up to God to let God love you just as you are.

***Words of Assurance**

***Gloria Patri** (“Glory Be to the Father” No. 9 in *Sing to the Lord*)

Children’s Time

Children’s Choir “Do You Know Who Made the Day” Hal H. Hopson
Solo Parts: Sadie Harper, Ashley Blackwell, Sarah Graham & Carson Glaser

Offertory “Liebster Jesu” by Bach

***Doxology and Dedication Prayer** (“Praise God” No. 7 in *Sing to the Lord*)


Anthem “If Ye Love Me” Thomas Tallis

Reading of Holy Scripture Job 42: 1-6, 10-17 p.478
Mark 10: 46-52 p. 922

Sermon “The Miracle of It” The Rev. Becky Hebert

***Hymn**

"When Mind and Bodies Meet As One"



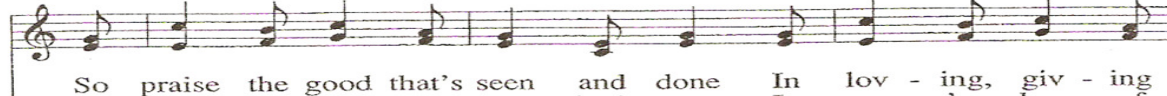
1. When minds and bod - ies meet as one And
2. When lead - ers meet with an - gry sound, Yet
3. When team - work serves a com - mon aim And
4. When peo - ple feel the lash - ing claws Of
5. In Christ we come to break and bless The



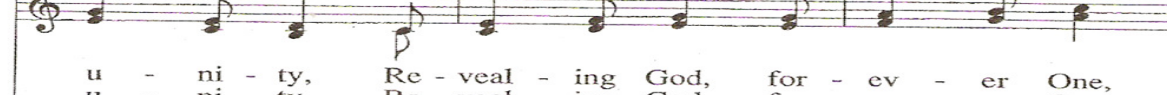
find their true af - fin - i - ty, We join the dance in
bri - dle their hos - til - i - ty To bar - gain for a
play - ers move in sym - pa - thy, The flow - ing rhy - thm
greed and in - hu - man - i - ty, Yet strug - gle in a
bread of new so - ci - e - ty, Cre - at - ed for to -




God be - gun And move with - in the Trin - i - ty,
com - mon ground And end with u - na - nim - i - ty,
of the game Is beau - ty in sim - plic - i - ty,
right - ful cause With love and sol - i - dar - i - ty,
geth - er - ness From in - fi - nite va - ri - e - ty,



So praise the good that's seen and done In lov - ing, giv - ing
Be glad for all the hope that's won In ev - 'ry gleam of
So praise the good that's seen and done In swift - ly mov - ing
Be glad for all the hope that's won In free - dom - lov - ing
So praise the good that's seen and done In Spir - it - giv - en



u - ni - ty, Re - veal - ing God, for - ev - er One,
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Whose na - ture is Com - mu - ni - ty.
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Tune: SWEET HOUR, LMD; William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868

Morning Prayer, Lord's Prayer and Choral Response

(During this time of prayer there will be times of silence for you to reflect, to talk with God, and to listen for the still small voice of God in your mind's eye.)

Pastor: God of miracles, we rejoice this day that miracles are possible and are unfolding all around us. Reform us in our willingness to nurture our faith into a profoundly powerful faith and with a willingness to shout it out. Teach us how to again dream, to dream and dance in the miracle dust of a rainbow. Remove the blindness that covers our eyes and keeps us from seeing the wrongs that need righting in our world. Take away our fear of shaking things up a little, when they need shaking up—of throwing out the old that You may create a new thing in our lives.

Silence

You, O God, have blessed us with every spiritual blessing in heaven and on earth. You adopted us through Your eldest son, Jesus Christ. Through Him and the Holy Spirit, You have made known to us the mysteries of divine will. You have called us according to the One who set everything in motion, the most radical revolutionary to ever live, to keep the rebel heart alive in bringing into fulfillment Your reign on earth.

Silence

And so on this Reformation day, we ask You to send us forth renewed, inspired, and ready to be Your people, in every nook and cranny that needs the hope of miracle dust.

Silence

May all Your people know this day the miracle of healing, the personal touch of Your love, and the experience of the teacher-healer-storyteller who walks among us still, teaching us to pray saying: "Our Father who art in heaven,..."

***Benediction**

performed by Sue Bos in Dutch



***Congregational Response** "Ours the Journey

God of rain-bow, fier - y pil - lar, lead - ing where the ea - gles soar,
we, thy peo - ple, ours the jour - ney now and ev - er, now and ev - er,
now and ev - er - more. Now and for - ev - er - more!

Postlude

"Toccat & Fugue in D Minor"

by Bach

You, whether a member or guest, are an important and valuable part of this St. John's Chapel Community. Your participation in this worship service is a blessing. May you always know God's gift of unending love.

A nursery is available during worship for children up through three years of age. If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an usher.

Hearing-assistance devices are available for use during worship. If you would like to use one, please ask an usher to get one for you.

TODAY, BOSM's Carry-In Dinner Follows Service

On Sunday, November 29 there is an opportunity to serve as liturgist.

Mowers are needed for the week prior to November 1 and prior to November 15.

Sign up sheets for liturgists and mowers are in the Narthex. Thank you.



A church member needs our help with transportation from the St. John's Hospital area to Sunday service. Anyone who can assist please contact church secretary, Deb Hall. Thank you!

Keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers:

Members:

Bob and Sue Davis: will spend the winter in Galveston, TX with their daughter.

Perdy Scafe: is due for additional tests on October 26 to learn how beneficial last week's \$9,000 shot was. A reminder that Perdy's bone marrow aspiration was performed Oct. 21 at Cox South as an outpatient procedure.

Dwayne Blumenstock's: Non-Hodgkins lymphoma is no longer in remission and chemotherapy treatments have begun.

Family and Friends:

Peggy Gilbert: (Friend of Tona Griggs) is battling aggressive breast cancer.

Josephine Walker: (Jeanne Kruger's mother) is at Magnolia Square, Room 228, 502 W. Edgewood (65807).

Joyce Johnson: (Friend of Glenda Weise) was in remission from breast cancer, but it has now returned and is in her bones.

Todd McClain: (Cousin of Melissa Burnett) is undergoing extensive medical tests.

Señor Artola: (Friend of Thelma Hurshman) is the father of a Nicaraguan high school student.

Discernment Prayers for Our Church. Prayer time is on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at noon. The next prayer dates are Oct 27th and November 10th.

The Friendship Circle Annual Bazaar will be held Saturday, November 7th and will feature both crafts and antiques for sale this year. Anyone interested in a vendor table call Beverly Graham, 881-3034 to apply.



ATTENTION BAKERS! Your cakes, pies and desserts are needed for the Friendship Circle's Annual Bazaar. A sign up sheet is in the Narthex.

Thank you for your *delicious* support!

Proceeds from the Annual Bazaar help the Friendship Circle support the Crosslines account and other important projects in our church.

Board of Service Ministries will meet on the first Monday of each month at 7 pm. The next BSM meeting will be November 2.

Our Stewardship for Sunday, October 18, 2009

Sunday School	13	Offering	\$6.00
Worship	78	Offering	\$1,366.00



FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE ANNUAL BAZAAR

CRAFTS•ANTIQUES•BAKE SALE•NUTS•& MORE!

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2009
8:00 AM TO 2:30PM**

**7:00 AM•EARLY BIRDS CAN GET
HOMEMADE ROLLS & COFFEE**

**11:00 AM TO 2:30 PM
ALL YOU CAN EAT LUNCH
SOUP•SANDWICHES•DESSERT•DRINK
ALL FOR ONLY \$6.00**

**FRESH NUTS GALORE FROM
THE OSAGE PECAN COMPANY
PECANS•WALNUTS•ENGLISH WALNUTS•& MORE!
ALSO, VARIETIES OF CHOCOLATE
INCLUDING SUGAR-FREE CHOCOLATE PECANS &
TWO VARIETIES OF DARK, HEALTHY CHOCOLATE NUTS**

**DURING LUNCH
A LIVE PERFORMANCE OF
SOUTHERN GOSPEL SINGING!**

Y' ALL...(MEMBERS, RELATIVES, FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS)

COME SHOP!

COME EAT!

& COME ENJOY!





Worship — 10:30 AM

Pastor's Day Off — Friday

Secretary's Office Hours: 8:30 AM-1:00 PM Monday -Friday

October 25, 2009

Judith Bartell and Tona Griggs will open the church in October

- Today: Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost..... 10:30 am
- Reformation Sunday
- BOSM Carry-In Dinner..... Following Service
- Confirmation Class..... 5-7:00 pm
- Tuesday: Discernment Prayer 12 noon
- Board of Christian Education 6:30 pm
- Wednesday: Ozark Cluster Meeting 10:00 am
- Grace & Weight 5:30 pm
- Chapel Bells..... 6:30 pm
- Chancel Choir 7:40 pm
- Friday: Mo. Mid-South Conf Biennial Meeting..... Independence, MO
- Saturday Mo. Mid-South Conf Biennial Meeting..... Independence, MO
- Sunday Mo. Mid-South Conf Biennial Meeting..... Independence, MO
- Fall Back—Set Your Clocks
- Next Sun.: Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost..... 10:30 am
- Guest Speaker: Michael Olmsted
- No Confirmation Class

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- Nursery Attendant - Lea Ann Kruger
- Custodian - Lee Bartell

The Ozark Cluster will meet at SJC on October 28 at 10:00 am.
The Ozark Cluster Laity Cluster will meet at SJC on November 8 at 4:00 pm.

Our Mission Statement

St. John's Chapel UCC is called to love unconditionally, seek justice, foster spiritual growth, and embrace diversity of thought and body as taught by Jesus Christ.