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PRAYS**
by
**Marc
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St. John's Chapel
United Church of Christ
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Liturgist: Pete Graham

July 25, 2010

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

10:30 A.M.

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

Gathering

Meditative Prelude

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

The theme of today's worship will focus on persistent prayers. You might want to read and reflect on the scripture passages for today.

Space to write down your thoughts: _____

Or you may wish to 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 may wish to reflect on this where you are on your faith journey, or if you reflect better walking, please walk around the sanctuary and reflect upon images you encounter.

Lighting of Candles & Ringing of Bells

Acolyte: Sarah Graham

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Celebration**

Leader: God is my constant companion.

People: There is no need that God cannot fulfill.

Leader: God blesses us with life when depression darkens our souls, if we will not give up on God.

People: Let us trust in God's promises and be with God in worship.

***Hymn of Celebration** "He Lives" No. 262

Call to Confession

***Prayer of Confession**

God of our years, help us relinquish ourselves into Your care. Teach us again how to pray persistently. We call upon You in these moments to remind us how much You long for us to be in continual conversation with You. And we beg Your forgiveness for the amount of time we have wasted in not developing a deeper relationship with You. Amen.

Silent Meditation and Personal Confession

***Words of Assurance**

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

Children's Time

(Children please join us in the sanctuary after.)

Special Music Performed by Staci Harvey

Reading of Holy Scripture Job 38: 1-11, 16-18 p. 474
Luke 11: 1-13 p. 947

Sermon "Persistent Prayers" The Rev. Becky Hebert

***Hymn** "Trust and Obey" vs. 1, 3 & 5 No. 437

Prayers of the People *(Silence will be observed through out this prayer.)*

Lord's Prayer *(using debts and debtors)*

Offertory Instrumental Interlude performed by Kyle Aho

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

Hymn "Because He Lives" No. 256

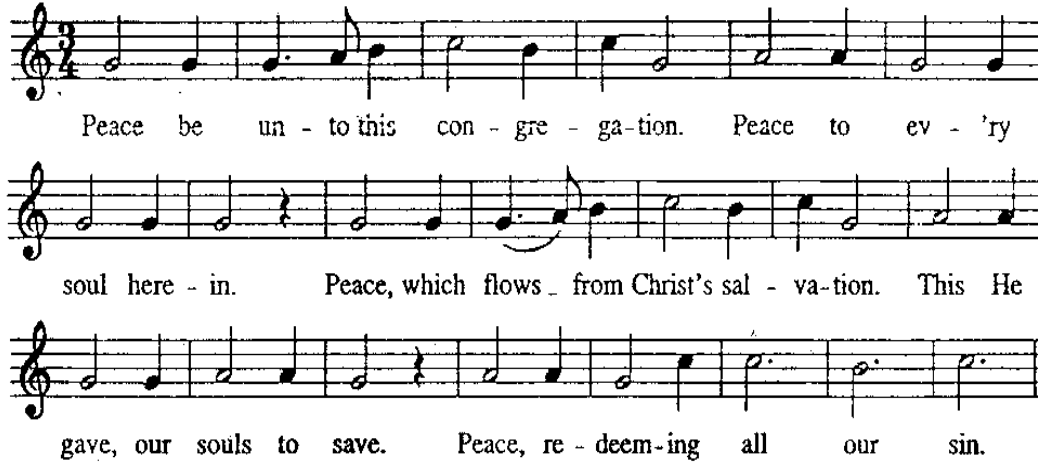
Affirmation for Faith

The Apostles' Creed

(Worship Resources, p. 3)

***Benediction**

***Congregational Response** "Peace Be Unto This Congregation"



Peace be un - to this con - gre - ga - tion. Peace to ev - 'ry
soul here - in. Peace, which flows - from Christ's sal - va - tion. This He
gave, our souls to save. Peace, re - deem - ing all our sin.

Postlude

Instrumental Postlude

played by Kyle Aho

Everyone is invited to...

A brief overview:

**The UCC
Our History
& Beliefs**

**Wednesday, July 28th
7 pm**

In the workroom

**Join prospective members
as we learn more about the
United Church of Christ**

*Register in advance
by calling the office, 881-5175~*

A new course is beginning~

The

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

"Companions in Christ" Course~

A 28-week study and participation course
lead by Pastor Becky Hebert

For more information,
contact Deb in the Office

*"This twenty-eight-week spiritual
journey will draw readers into daily
time with God through individual
reading and reflection and will
gather individuals weekly with oth-
ers in a faith community for deeper
exploration."*

Amazon.com



**DON'T MISS THE KOINONIA
SWIM PARTY!**

Sunday, July 25. TODAY!
at Corneil & Shirley

DATEMA'S

3 pm SWIM! 5 pm EAT!

*Bring a side dish-
Meat is provided-*

Corneil & Shirley Datema
2649 S. Maple Leaf Ln
Springfield
417-865-4080

On Sunday, August 1, we will welcome several new members into our congregation. We invite all who has been contemplating joining St. John's Chapel UCC to please contact Pastor Becky today. We would love to include you in our upcoming

Reception of New Members.

So much goes into every Fellowship Dinner...

Setting up tables and place-settings, warming and presenting the many dishes, keeping everyone quenched with tea, lemonade and coffee, then busing tables, washing the dishes, then putting everything back in its proper place. WHEW! Have we said THANK YOU lately? If you enjoyed last Sunday's Fellowship Dinner, tell one of our many helpers!

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.

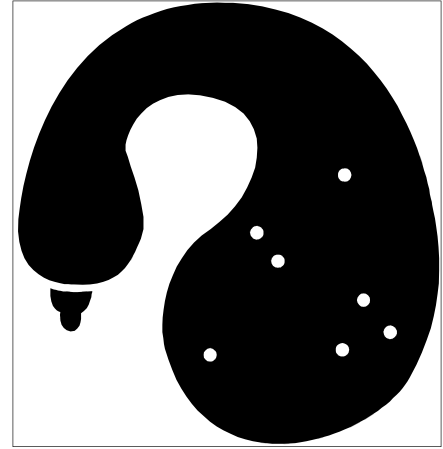
Hearing-assistance devices are available for use during worship. If you would like to use one, please ask an usher to get one for you.

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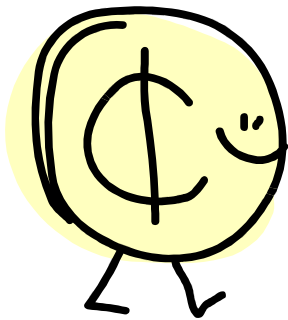
Thank you everyone for your support
and purchase of fresh
Squash from the SJC Garden!

With this summer's abundance of rain and sun-
shine, there's plenty more where that came from.

See Lea Ann Kruger today
for 2 X \$1.00 squash!



Have you responded to the call?
The call to increase your pledge, that
is. If you have not sent in your form,
please see Nancy Anderson today.



This is a time in our
church's life when a little bit
more means a lot!

Thank you!

St. John's Chapel UCC Staff

Pastor — Rev. Becky Hebert

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Organist - Kyle Aho

Nursery Attendant - Lea Ann Kruger

Custodian - Lee Bartell

Keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers:

Members:

Flo Valentine: is moving slow and get tired easily, but otherwise, is in good spirits and thank and is thankful for so much that she can do at 90 years of age.

Virginia Shean: is pretty bruised from her tumble, and her ability to communicate is limited, but she seems to be in no pain or discomfort.

Family and Friends:

Fern: (Dennis Gromer's Mom) is doing much better. She was in the hospital due to a chipped bone in her back, which turned out to be a good thing because they found out she was over medicated on blood pressure medicine. She is now back at home and doing much better.

Peggy Gilbert: (Friend of Tona Griggs & friend & colleague of Melissa Burnett) thanks the congregation for our continued prayers as she takes oral chemotherapy during remission of her breast cancer.

Josephine Walker: (Jeanne Kruger's mother) is in Magnolia Square, Room 228.



“God is with those who persevere.”

Quran quote

A very special Thank you...

Thanks to everybody for their prayers, cards, and visits while I was in Quail Creek. At home, I am now getting therapy twice a day. But not every day. I am especially grateful to Pastor Becky for her calls and visits. She has been a real friend.

Flo Valentine

*Thank you very much
for your care and
thoughts!*

Mat Wiese

Kay!

Our Stewardship for Sunday, July 18, 2010

Worship: 78

Offering: \$1,784.39



Persistence is the twin sister of excellence. One is a matter of quality; the other, a matter of time.

Anonymous

AVAILABLE NOW TO THE CONGREGATION~

•The Grant Proposal submitted to the

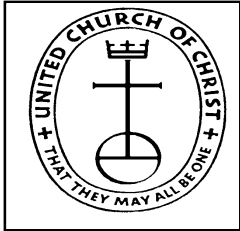
Lilly Foundation for consideration~

•The recap report of the Town Hall Meetings~



**A huge THANKS
to our many
Vacation Bible School
PIRATES
who kept our
young shipmates
on course while
Navigating the High
Seas of God's Love!**

See all the fun and your
Board of Christian Education
at work in the August issue
of
THE MESSENGER!



Worship — 10:30 AM

Pastor's Day Off — Friday

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

July 25, 2010

Jeanne Kruger will open the church for the month of July

TODAY: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 am
KOINONIA Swim Party 3:00 pm
Monday: Grace & Weight 5:30 pm
Wednesday: Ozark Cluster Meeting 10:00 am
About the UCC for New Members 7:00 pm
Sunday: Tenth Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am
Reception of New Members
Communion



Job's Despair by Marc Chagall

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.