



St. John's Chapel
United Church of Christ
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Liturgist: Eleanor Berger & Elaine Tebbenkamp

August 2, 2009

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 A.M.

(All who are able, 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 the bread of heaven. You might want to reflect on what it means to be filled with bread from heaven?

Space to write down your thoughts:

Or you may wish to come forward and write your thoughts in the "Book of Common Prayers" located in front of the choir loft to the left. Or light a candle at the communion table to symbolize the concerns or joys you carry with you to worship, or whatever is on your heart and mind. You may spend time in reflection where you are, or if you reflect better walking, walk around the sanctuary and reflect on images you encounter.

Reading of Holy Scripture John 6: 23-35

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Sermon

"Bread of Heaven"

The Rev. Becky Hebert

Responding to God

Hymn

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

No. 96

Prayers of the People

(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 God in your mind's eye.)

Pastor: Let us enter into the spirit of God's wisdom, and more deeply into the presence of Jesus, as we reflect on his teaching about the "bread of heaven."

Silence

Here in Your presence, dear Jesus, we pause to remember the times in our lives when wisdom and enough grace seeped in for us to step out into the light.

Silence

We pause to remember, dear Jesus, the times when we allowed You to fill the emptiness in our lives.

Silence

From our sacred memory may we know that from what You have done in the past, we can trust You to do again. So we may be healed from all that ails us, we open ourselves to be filled with the "bread of heaven" that is You.

Silence

We pray for the world that all may come to know blessings of feasting on the bread of wisdom and drinking the wine of commitment.

Silence

Towards this end we dedicate this worship, as we move in the realm of the Spirit with the prayer of Jesus upon our lips.

Lord's Prayer

Solo Response

"Yours Is the Wheat"

Chris Brammer

Offering

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

Communion

(As we sing, all who wish to participate are invited to form two lines and come forward. You may break off a piece of bread and dip it into the cup, and then return to your seat. If you are unable to come forward, the bread and cup can be brought to you. The chalice with grape juice will be served by our pastor.)

***Hymn**

“Taste and See“

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"Taste and See"

♩=84

F C/F Bb/F F F/A Bbadd9 F/A Gm11 C7

Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness of the Lord. O

F C/F Bb/F F F/A Bbadd9 F/A Gm7 C7 C6 C7

taste and see, taste and see the good - ness of the Lord, of the

F Bb/F F Gm7/C C7 F Fadd9

To verses Last time

Lord.

Lord.

1. I will bless the
2. Glo - ri - fy the
3. Wor - ship the

Am7 Bbmaj7 F/A Gm11

Lord at all times.
 Lord with me.
 Lord, all you peo-ple.

Praise shall
 To - geth-er let us
 You'll want for

F/A Gm7/C C7 F A7 A7/C#

al-ways be on my lips; my soul shall glo-ry in the
 all praise God's name. I called the Lord who an-swered
 noth - ing if you ask. Taste and see that the Lord is

Dmadd9 Dm/C Bbadd9 F/A Gm7 C7 D.C.

Lord for God has been so good to me.
 me; from all my trou-bles I was set free.
 good; in God we need put all our trust.

Blessing and Sending

Benediction

Going Forth Singing

"Song of Hope"



May the God of hope go with us ev - ery day, Fill - ing all our
lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of jus - tice speed us
on our way, Bring - ing light and hope to ev - ery land and race.
Pray - ing, let us work for peace, Sing - ing, share our joy with all,
Work - ing for a world that's new, Faith - ful when we hear Christ's call.

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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.

Our Stewardship for Sunday, July 26, 2009

Worship 79 Offering \$1561.00

Members:

David Rahmoeller: is doing great and has returned to work.

Norman Rahmoeller: Norman is at Springfield Rehab and Care Center, 2800 S. Fort. He is now in the care of Season's Hospice

Bob and Sue Davis: Bob reports that Sue, who is suffering from Alzheimer's, is doing better and her memory has improved.

Butch Stillman: has some numbness in his legs and could still use lots of prayers.

Karl Kruger: received a good report from his doctor. If you would like to visit Karl, please call before stopping by.

Perdy Scafe: has been diagnosed with non-hodgkins lymphoma and has begun chemotherapy treatments which should last about 4 months.

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).

Kermit McCuiston: (Jamie Gromer's grandfather) has cancer.

Holly Francis: (Logan McCuiston's mother) is recuperating at home from her surgery.

Suanne Sutherland: CloElla's sister, is battling continuing pain and disability as a result of years of Rheumatoid Arthritis but is feeling a little better now.

Church organizations need to check their mail boxes in the workroom regularly. There is one box that has a check in it from May.



*Thank You
Notes*

I want to express my sincere gratitude for the kindness of the congregation. The meals for my family that were delivered to our home helped us tremendously. This has been a difficult year for my family due to my fight with cancer and surgery. I am so blessed that remission is finally something we are able to look forward to. Your prayers and kind thoughts have truly helped us.

Thank you again,
The Francis Family
Holly, Jordan, Gracie & Logan

August 2, 2009

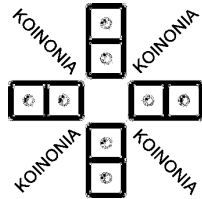
Nancy Anderson will open the church in August.

Today:	Ninth Sunday after Pentecost.....	10:30 am
	Communion	
Monday:	Board of Service Ministries	7:00 pm
Wednesday	Grace & Weight	5:30 pm
Next Sun.:	Tenth Sunday after Pentecost.....	10:30 am
	Bring Crosslines Food	
	Independent Women.....	1:00 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.

Acolyte Training will be held Sunday, August 9th at 10:00 am for children 6-12 years old.



Koinonia Group, hosted by Shirley & Corneil Datema and Nancy & Eddie Anderson, will meet next Sunday, August 9th at 5:00 pm at the church. Come join us for an exciting evening of good food, good friends and Mexican Dominoes. Meat and drinks will be provided, please bring sides and desserts. All are welcome! RSVP to Shirley at 865-4080 or Nancy at 863-7309.

Liturgists Needed!

For the summer services we need two liturgists. I have one for each Sunday in August but need a second who will read the Scripture from their seat. The sign-up sheet is on the easel in the narthex. Available opportunities are: Aug 9,23,30. We also need liturgists for the following dates when we return to regular services. Sept. 6 , Oct. 4, Nov. 1 & 29 and Dec. 6, 20, 27.



Discernment Prayers for Our Church. Prayer time is on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at noon. The next prayer dates are Aug. 11th and 25th.

Women's Guild will not meet in the month of August. The next meeting will be on Sept. 10th at 1:00 pm when the outreach project will be the Violence Center. We can still use your help collecting Best Choice labels. Please consider buying Best Choice items for Crosslines donations as well as for home. Please cut out the bar codes and leave them in the fishbowl in the narthex or give them to Flo Valentine. These labels help provide additional service projects.



The test of a first rate intelligence is the ability to hold two opposed ideas in the mind at the same time, and still retain the ability to function. One should, for example, be able to see that things are hopeless and yet be determined to make them otherwise.—F. Scott Fitzgerald



A smile costs nothing but gives much. It enriches those who receive without making poorer those who give. It takes but a moment, but the memory of it sometimes lasts forever. None is so rich or mighty that he cannot get along without it and none is so poor that he cannot be made rich by it. Yet a smile cannot be bought, begged, borrowed, or stolen, for it is something that is of no value to anyone until it is given away. Some people are too tired to give you a smile. Give them one of yours, as none needs a smile so much as he who has no more to give. ~Author Unknown



Worship — 10:30 AM

Pastor's Day Off — Friday

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

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