



St. John's Chapel United Church of Christ

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Liturgist: Loy Swanson

September 25, 2011

fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

10:30 A.M.

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

Welcoming Becky at the Labyrinth

Ad te Je - su Chri - ste le - va - vi a - ni-mam
I lift up my soul to you, Christ Je - sus, my - re -

me - am. Sal - va - tor mun - di, in te spe - ra - vi. Ad
deem - er. All earth's sal - va - tion, my hope is in you. — I

Lighting of Candles

Ringling of Bells

Welcome and Announcements

Loy Swanson

Call to Celebration

Loy Swanson

One: In the name of the Creator, the Christ and the Holy Spirit. Peace be with you.
 All: And also with you.
 One: How lovely is God's dwelling place.
 All: Or souls yearn for God's presence; our hearts and our flesh cry out for the living God .
 One: The Holy One is our sun and our shield. God is our soothing wind and the cooling rain.
 All: We seek God and God answers us. God delivers us from our fears.
 One: Come into the House of God. Come from your journeys, weary wanderers, come and rest and find a seat prepared for you always.
 All: In God's house even a sparrow find a home, and even the swallow has a nest near God's altar.

Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" #20
Confession Pastor Stephan

***Assurance of Pardon** Pastor Becky

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

Retelling the Story Part 1: June - July
 Matthew 7:3-5

Hymn "Pour out your Spirit"

From the sac - red wa - ters of my birth
 to the sac - red wa - ters of this hour,
 I have leaned up - on You who knit me in my
 moth - er's womb. O pour out Your Spir - it now.

Retelling the story Part 2: July-August

Luke 6:41-42

Anthem

“Creature Praise”

by David Matthews

Retelling the Story Part 3: August –September

France - Jacob’s family, return of the groups and Choir, Baptism with Rev. Dohm, Unbinding the gospel

Prayers of the People, Lord’s Prayer (using debts and debtors)

Choral Response

Call to Offering

Pastor Stephan

Offertory

“Now I Belong To Jesus”

By Clayton

***Dedication Prayer**

Pastor Becky

Hymn

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

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***A reason to
celebrate!***

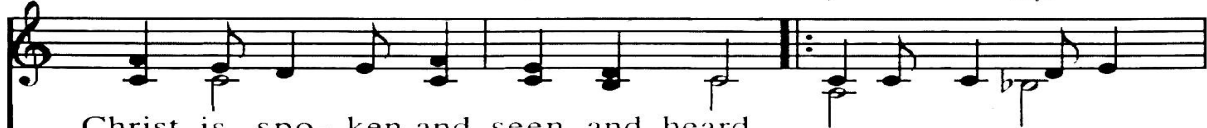
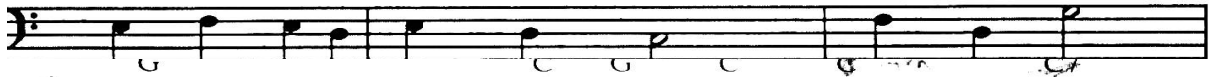
Reunion of Pastor, Church , Family and Friends



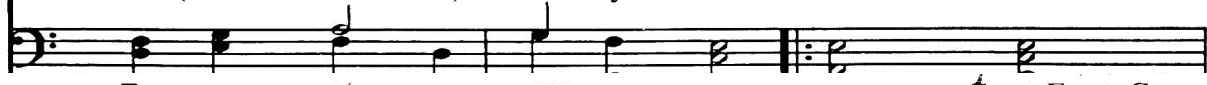
1. Let us tal-ents and tongues em- ploy, reach- ing out with a
 2. Christ is a- ble to make us one, at the ta- ble he
 3. Je- sus calls us in, sends us out, bear- ing fruit in a



shout of joy: bread is bro- ken, the wine is poured,
 sets the tone, teach- ing peo- ple to live to bless,
 world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share:



Christ is spo- ken and seen and heard.
 love in word and in deed ex- press. Je- sus lives a- gain,
 God (Im- man- u- el) ev- 'ry- where!



earth can breathe a- gain, pass the Word a- round: loaves a- bound!



Communion

Invitation

Pastor Becky

Communion Prayer

Words of Institution

Pastor Stephan

The Agnus Dei



O Christ, the Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy up-on us.
have mer - cy up-on us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, you
grant us your peace. A - - - men.

***Sharing of Elements**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: May the Living Christ walk with you, keep and preserve you to lead a life everlasting.

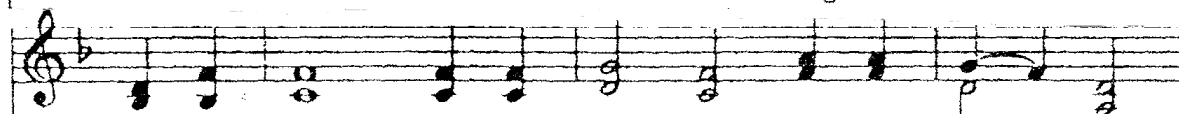
All: Holy God, thank you for your love which lifts us up, your presence which fills us and your abundant life which empowers us to be your people. Amen

Commissioning and Blessing

Congregational Response "Restless Weaver"



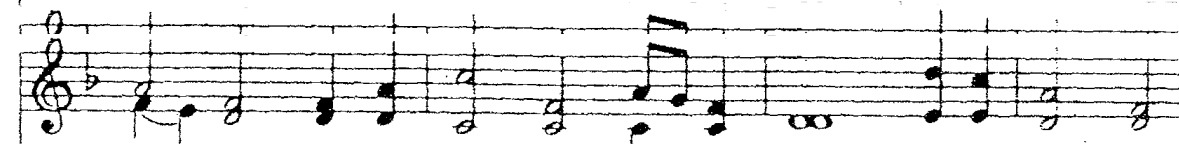
1. Rest - less Weav - er, ev - er spin - ning threads of jus - tice
2. Where earth's frag - ile web is rav - eling help us mend each
3. When our vio - lent lust for pow - er ends in lives a -
4. Rest - less Weav - er, still con - ceiv - ing new life—now and



and sha - lom; dream - ing pat - terns of cre - a - tion
bro - ken strand. Bless our ur - gent, bold en - deav - ors
bused and torn, from com - pass - ion's stur - dy fab - ric
yet to be. bind - ing all your vast cre - a - tion



where all crea - tures find a home; gath - ering up life's var - ied
cleans - ing wa - ter, air, and land. Through the Spir - it's in - spi -
rash - ion hope and trust re - born. Where in - jus - tice rules as
in one liv - ing tap - es - try: you have called us to be



fi - bers—ev - ery tex - ture, ev - ery hue: grant us your cre -
ra - tion—of - fer - ing health where once was pain—strength - en us to
ty - rant, give us cour - age, God, to dare live our dreams of
weav - ers. Let your love guide all we do. With your Reign of

a - tive vis - ion. With us weave your world a - new.
 be the stew - ards of your world knit whole a - gain.
 trans - for - ma - tion. Make our lives in - car - nate prayer.
 Peace our pat - tern, we will weave your world a - new.

Postlude

“Singing I Go ”

by Kirkpatrick

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

Our Stewardship for Sunday, September 18, 2011

Worship: 57 Offering: \$920.00

The average weekly offering needed to meet annual budget is \$2,423.00

19th Annual Springfield Area
CROP HUNGER WALK
(Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty)

Sunday, October 9, 2011
2:00 p.m.
(Registration Begins 1:00 p.m.)

2-mile Walk Beginning and Ending at
Phelps Grove Park
(Bennett St., West of National Ave.)

Come, Walk with the World!

Helping Hungry People through:
 Church World Service
 Crosslines
 Least of These

(More information at www.springfieldcropwalk.com)

BOSM is starting a new prayer group beginning October 6, 2011. It will be held here at the Chapel from 9-10:00 A.M. All are invited to attend.

Reunion Party CONTACT ALL OUR FORMER MEMBERS

It is time for us to come together again and celebrate. Pastor Becky is home from sabbatical. It is time to visit with congregation members, old and new alike, and invite all of our neighbors for an old fashioned festival including German Fare, an Ice Cream Social, Games, German Music, and a Bounce House for the kids.

FOOD GAMES MUSIC FUN Date: 09/25/2011

Time: Right after Worship
 Sunday School at 9:00 A.M.
 Worship at 10:30 A.M.

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 Springfield, MO 65804

Contact Beth in the Church Office with questions: 881-5175

**All Are Invited!
 It's All Free**

Join Us For These Ministries

Keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers:

Members:

Earl Reed– Earl is at home now. He has been home for about a week. He is doing well after having a heart attack.

Phil Scafe– He had an MRI and was found to be cancer free. What a blessing!

Sgt. Matthew Gromer-Pray for him and his family. He is overseas now.

Joyce Scroggs– She is doing better. She is at home. Visitors are appreciated.

Eleanor Lockhart– She is still undergoing treatments.

Please Contact our members who find it difficult to attend:

Virginia Shean–Ozark Nursing Care , 1486 N. Riverside Road Ozark, Mo. 65721

Virginia Steury– 1820 Plaza Drive, Nixa, Mo. 65714-9437

Flo Valentine–Ravenwood Asst. Living,1950 E. Republic Road #16,Spfd.,MO 07

Family and Friends:

Diane Bender’s Father– Her father passed away. Pray for the family.

Bailee Wenniham– Granddaughter of a friend of Nancy Anderson’s. She is 15 yrs. old. She is doing better

Katie Kobberman– Katie is Jack & Karli Rowett’s aunt on their mom’s side. She is undergoing testing at the Mayo Clinic. She will be in Rochester, MN. for the remainder of August and September. Pray for safe travel for Katie and her mother Rose, and that the Dr’s find a manageable approach to address her issues.

Jennie Sauer– Friend of Nancy Anderson. She is home from the hospital but she is still suffering from complications.

Peggy Gilbert: (She is a friend of Tona Rowett and Pray her medication is working to keep her cancer under control.

September 25, 2011

Jim May & Dennis Gromer will open the church in September

The Reunion Party is After Worship This Morning –All Are Invited

TODAY:	Morning Worship.....	10:30 am
	Welcome Back Pastor Becky	
Monday	Grace & Weight.....	5:30 pm
Tuesday	BCE	6:30 pm
Wednesday	Choir Practice.....	7:00 pm
Saturday	Camp Aurora Work Day	8:00 am
	Bread For The World.....	9:00 am

Reunion Party at 12:00– Invite EVERYONE