

Worship Guide

Sunday, January 31, 2021



Welcome

Announcements

Opening Hymn: God of Love and God of Power UMH 579 UMH vv. 1 & 4

*God of love and God of power, grant us in this burning hour
grace to ask these gifts of thee, daring hearts and spirits free.*

God of love and God of power, Thou has called us for this hour.

*God of love and God of power, make us worthy of this hour;
offering lives if it's thy will, keeping free our spirits still.*

God of love and God of power, thou has called us for this hour.

Call to Worship

L: Come, let us praise the Lord!

P: We praise God with our whole heart!

L: God's works are great!

P: Open our hearts and spirits to see your works, O Lord!

L: Come, let us worship the Lord who has saved us!

P: May our lives reflect the wondrous love of God that all may see and know of God's greatness.

Opening Prayer

**Loving God, it's so easy for us to forget your strength
and power to guide us. We spend so much time and energy in
anxiety, anger, and sorrow leaving behind the possibilities of
hope and service in you. Forgive us Lord and guide us through
your love and power. AMEN**

Hymn: *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying #2193 TFWS*

*Lord, listen to your children praying Lord, send your Spirit in the place Lord, listen to your children pray-
ing Send us love, send us power, send us grace.*

Concerns and Prayers (Prayers for ourselves and others.)

Together let us pray:

For the people of this congregation....

For those who suffer and those in trouble....

For the concerns of this local community....

For the world, it's peoples, and it's leaders....

For the Church universal- it's leaders, it's members, and it's mission....

In communion with the saints...

The Lord's Prayer:

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Epistle Reading: I Corinthians 8: 1&2

2 Epistle Reading: I John 4: 7&8

Gospel: Mark 1: 21-28

L: The Word of God, for us the people of God

P: Thanks be to God!

Message:

Betty Austin

Offering Our Gifts To God

This is an opportunity to share the goodness that has been given to you. Consider sending an offering to Centenary UMC, PO Box 630, Skowhegan, ME 04976 or to an organization in your area

Closing Hymn: *Wounded World That Cries for Healing TFWS 2177 VV. 1-3*

*Wounded world that cries for healing- here we hold each other's pain,
wounded systems, bruised and bleeding bear the load, the scars of strain;
dollars ration out compassion, hard decisions rule the day, Jesus of the
healing Spirit, free us to another way.*

*Through our nation's spent frustrations, through the corridors of stress
May there move a kindler wisdom all may feel, and all may bless;
tax and tithe are for a purpose shared to shield the poor and weak:
past the symptoms of are sickness let the voice of justice speak.*

*Honor those whose loving spirit nurses hope, restores and heals,
towel and basis used in service like the Christ who comes and kneels;
in the tending, in the mending may we see the right and fair,
in our common quest for wholeness heal each other by our care.*

Benediction