

WORSHIP GUIDE

September 25, 2022 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER



CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Call to Worship (Psalm 91)

Those who love God,

P: God will deliver.

L: Those who know God by name,

P: God will protect.

L: Those who call out to God,

P: God will answer.

L: We gather this morning,

P: as those who trust God.

OPENING HYMN: *Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak* *UMH* 463

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, you create, redeem and sustain us, every moment of our lives.

In you we place our trust. When we face illness, conflict, and fear,

you are our steadfast protector. When we suffer setback and loss, you restore us through your

love. When our lives prosper and we are comfortable, you move us to share our blessings with

others. In times of hardship and plenty, you alone are the source of the life that really is life.

Holy God, in love and trust, we live the power of your resurrection,

through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 32:22-31

Psalm 121

Epistle Lesson: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Luke 18:1-8

L: The word of God, for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God!

HYMN OF PREPARATION: *Be Thou My Vision* *UMH* 451

MESSAGE: *Kevin Tansey*

HYMN OF RESPONSE: *Love the Lord* *W&S* 3116

WE RESPOND WITH PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

SONG BEFORE & AFTER TIME OF PRAYER: *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying #2193 TFWS*
Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (after each time of silence, we'll finish with the words "Lord in your mercy" and you are invited to respond, "**Hear our prayer.**")

For the people of this congregation.... LORD IN YOUR MERCY

For those who suffer and those in trouble....LORD IN YOUR MERCY

For the concerns of this local community.... LORD IN YOUR MERCY

For the world, it's peoples, and it's leaders....LORD IN YOUR MERCY

For the Church universal- it's leaders, it's members, and it's mission....LORD IN YOUR MERCY

In communion with the saints... LORD IN YOUR MERCY

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.

OFFERING

This is an opportunity to share the goodness that has been given to you. Consider sending an offering to PO Box 630, Skowhegan, ME 04976. You are also invited to support an organization or church in our local community that is making a positive difference in people's lives.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CLOSING HYMN: *Shout to the North* W&S 3042

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION:

Pursue righteousness, godliness,
faith, love, endurance, and gentleness.
Live boldly, trusting God with everything you are
and everything you have.
Take hold of the life to which God calls you.
Go forth, rejoicing in God.
Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The HEARTS AND HANDS THRIFT SHOP

Co-Managers: James Barto and Ila Libby

Hours of Operation: Wednesdays 9 AM to 12 PM

***Call James @ 207-858-0257 to arrange drop off donations or for more information.

CLOTHING CLOSET

The Clothing Closet is open on Wednesdays 9 AM to NOON and 5 PM to 7 PM

THE CUP CAFÉ

Our CUP Café is open on Wednesdays 9AM—12 NOON.

Each week we offer a light lunch, hot chocolate, coffee and snacks. We also have FREE Wi-fi.

FREE DRIVE THRU COMMUNITY MEALS UPDATE

A message from the Tuesday Evening Meal Team:

Our free Drive Thru Community meals are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. Our next meal will be on Tuesday, September 27th. Mini Italians, chips, and dessert. Call 207-474-3915, leave your name and number of meals. Pick up time is between 5pm and 6 pm that evening.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LENDING PROGRAM

Do you or someone you know have need for a wheelchair, walker, crutches, canes, etc.? If so, we have many of these items available through our medical lending program. This is offered by appointment. Call 207-474-3915 and leave your name, phone number, and the item that you need. Someone will contact you. This is an outreach through the partnership of Common Unity Place and Centenary United Methodist Church.

SKOWHEGAN AREA YOUTH GROUP

Thursdays from 6-7:30 pm at Centenary UMC on the Dr. Mann Rd. Snacks and activities provided. For more information, please call Sharon Newell or Kevin Tansey at 207-708-0767 or 207-877-5987.

FELLOWSHIP AND DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

- Men's Fellowship: Mondays @ 8:00 am (See Gene Rouse or Skip Young)
- Small Group Ministry: Wednesdays @ 1:00PM -2:30PM (see Pastor Jen)
- Giving Angels Women's Fellowship: 2nd Wednesday each month. 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (see Ila Libby or Lori Trevains)
- ♦ **Giving Angels Women's Fellowship: 1st Tuesday of each month. 10 AM –12:00 PM and adding a second meeting on the third Tuesday of each month from 10:00am to 12:00pm to make crafts for the December 3rd craft fair. (see Ila Libby or Lori Trevains) see next page for more information:**

- ◆ The woman's fellowship is starting preliminary planning for a craft fair at the church in conjunction with the Skowhegan Christmas Downtown Stroll event on December 3rd.
- ◆ Giving Angels Woman's Fellowship is requesting preliminary interest in donating crafts, volunteering for the event day, supplying water jugs starting collection now, and committing to making baked goods for the sale on December 3rd and prepared food for cafe luncheon. Thank you for considering assisting the woman's fellowship in this endeavor. The Giving Angels Woman's Fellowship have changed their meeting date and time to the first Tuesday of each month from 10:00am to 12:00pm and adding a second meeting on the third Tuesday of each month from 10:00am to 12:00pm to make crafts for the December 3rd craft fair.