

WORSHIP GUIDE

November 20, 2022 CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY



WE GATHER

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: God has called all of us here beloved.

**P: We are given new names of hope and promise.**

L: Even though storms and trials have assailed us,

**P: God has drawn us through to the time of salvation.**

L: Thanks be to God for God's victory in Jesus Christ!

**P: May Jesus reign in our hearts all of our days. AMEN.**

OPENING HYMN: Opening Hymn – *Let There Be Peace on Earth* UMH 431

OPENING PRAYER

**Lord of light and life, we come to you this day in celebration of the witness of your Son Jesus Christ. Open our hearts, our spirits, and our lives to listen to his words for us. Help us to be faithful disciples for you; for we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.**

WE HEAR THE WORD PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Old Testament: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Epistle Lesson: Colossians 1:11-20

Gospel: Luke 1:68-79

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

**P: Thanks be to God!**

HYMN OF PREPARATION: *Gentle Shepherd* Worship and Song pg. 3096

MESSAGE: *How Would God's Evaluation of Your Ability as a Shepherd Read?* Gene Rouse

HYMN OF RESPONSE: *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* UMH pg. 381

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.

\*\*Song of Thanksgiving:

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* # 95 UMH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise him above, ye heavenly host;**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. AMEN.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CLOSING HYMN: *Somebody's Knockin at Your Door* Worship and Song pg. 3096

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION:

Go joyfully. Give thanks to God.

Endure with strength and patience.

And may your feet be guided in the ways of peace. Amen.

**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\*\*\***

The Tuesday Evening Meals offers a free meal on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month.

Call the church @ 207-474-3915

Leave your name and # of meals.

Pick up time is between 5-6 PM that evening.

Our next meal is on November 22. Spaghetti, Salad, Garlic Bread, and dessert

To guarantee your meal, call by Monday, November 21st

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 3:30-7:30 pm at Centenary UMC on the Dr. Mann Rd. Tutoring, dinner, 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: 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)**
- ♦ 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. **Anyone is welcomed to join the group to make crafts**