

WORSHIP GUIDE

October 22, 2023



Greeters: Rodney Brown, Corrine Dunton

WE GATHER:

Call to Worship

Charleen Gordon

L: We are all called to recognize and join God’s mission of love.

P: We gather to become more like Jesus.

L: We learn how grace has met other lives.

P: We wait for God’s empowering presence to open our eyes.

L: We engage our neighbors, online and in person.

P: And God’s love, power, and justice help repair the world.

OPENING HYMN: TFWS 2236 Gather Us In

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Jen

Holy Presence, reveal to us your ways and bless us with your glory. Call us to bring your justice and mercy to a world torn by war, chaos, and conflict. Inspire us to embody your word and to live as a holy people, as we seek to share your message of love through the power of the Holy Spirit. AMEN.

WE HEAR THE WORD PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURES

Old Testament: Exodus 33:12-23

Psalm 99

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22

Wanda Hemond

Kim-Marie Violette

Janice Malek

John Malek

HYMN OF PREPARATION: Worship & Song 3186 Days of Elijah

MESSAGE: The Laity:

Hearts and Hands

Youth Group

Men’s Group

Women’s Group

Personal Testimony

Ila Libby

Kevin Tansey

Gene Rouse

Kim Marie Violette

Rodney Brown, Larry James

Cindy Travers

HYMN OF RESPONSE: TFWS 2170 Wade in the Water

WE RESPOND IN PRAYER AND WITH THANKSGIVING

SONG BEFORE AND AFTER PRAYER: TFWS 2139 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (after each time of silence, we will finish with the words “Lord in Your Mercy” and you are invited to respond, “**Hear our prayers**”).

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

Special Music during offertory: TFWS 2218 You Are Mine

Cindy Travers

Offering Hymn: UMH 95 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CLOSING HYMN: Worship & Song 3102 You Are My King

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

Shawna Elliott

L: Strengthened by the presence of God,

P: We go forth with hope.

L: Guided by the teachings of Christ,

P: We go forth to serve.

L: Led by the power of the Holy Spirit,

P: We go forth to love. AMEN.

CENTENARY COMMUNITY PRAYER LIST:

Lord, our faith community prays for the following people and situations:

Jeff Ellis; Cookie Gravel; Lori Trevains; Darcy Lyon; Kim Violette's partner, Bruce and his mother Sheila; Larry Tilton's father; Jane Frazier; Larry James and his mother Diane; Wendell Prosser; Judy Steen; Toni Jo and John Blaisdell; Linda and Wendy Eaton; Samantha Brown; Barbara Harvey; Billie Sherman; Al and Wanda Quimby; Kim Poirier; Jim and Diane Arsenault; Diane's brother, Lenny Doucette; Diane's son Edie Hiltonen; Paul Breglia; Ken Fitzherbert; Babbett; John Benton; Rodney Brown and his mother Clarissa; Carol Taylor; Cindy Travers Blaine and Shawna Elliott. Foster children everywhere; Health Care workers; victims and survivors of domestic violence people struggling with housing and food insecurity; Skowhegan Police, Fire, and EMT departments Teachers and educators everywhere and their support staff. The people of Ukraine. Our D.S. Reverend Arlene Tully, The Bishop, and Reverend Peggy Johnson. We pray for peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FELLOWSHIP AND DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

- ◆ Adult Sunday School: Sundays @ 9:00 AM Kidzone.
- ◆ Men's Fellowship: Mondays @8:00 AM (see Gene Rouse or Skip Young)
- ◆ Small Group Ministry: Wednesday @ 1:00-2:30 PM (see Pastor Jen)
- ◆ Giving Angels Women's Fellowship 1st Tuesday of each month @ 10 AM to NOON

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS TODAY

Fall in Love with Jesus Women's Retreat presented by Many Waters District Women in Faith Saturday, November 11, 2023 at Camp Mechuwana in Winthrop Maine starting at 10:00 AM

Immerse yourself in a soul-nourishing experience!

Many Waters District United Women in Faith invite you to escape from the hustle and bustle of daily life and immerse yourself in a day filled with spiritual rejuvenation and reflection. This retreat is designed exclusively for women who are seeking a deeper connection with Jesus and a want time together with like-minded women. During the retreat, you will have the opportunity participate in engaging and uplifting worship music, and heartfelt discussions. Our experienced speakers will guide you through various topics, including self-discovery, and strengthening your relationship with God. Enjoy moments of solitude and reflection amidst nature's beauty Connect with other like-minded women and build lasting friendships that will support and uplift you on your spiritual journey. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to deepen your faith and fall in love with Jesus all over again. We can't wait to welcome you!

SEE CHARLEEN GORDON FOR MORE INFORMATION. REGISTRATION DEADLINE October 22 2023.

Woodlawn Rehabilitation in Skowhegan recently contacted Pastor Jen inquiring if there might be folks interested in volunteering at their facility. This would include visits, small activities, playing the piano, and singing. If you are interested, please contact Kim Pawgany at 207-474-9300.

HEART AND HANDS THRIFT SHOP

The Thrift Shop is open Wednesdays 9 AM to NOON.

Call Jim Barto @ (207) 858-0257 to arrange drop off of donations or for more information.

CLOTHES CLOSET

The Clothes Closet is open Wednesdays 9 AM to NOON and 5 PM to 7 PM.

CUP CAFÉ

Cup Café is open Wednesdays 8 AM to NOON. Free Wi-fi is available.

Each week we offer a free light lunch, hot chocolate, coffee and snacks.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

Our medical lending program makes available wheelchairs, walkers, cans, crutches, etc.

Call (207) 474-3915, leave your name and phone number. Someone will return your call and set and appointment for pick up.

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