

SUNDAY WORSHIP
10:30am • Sunday September 8, 2024

Mission Statement: As a community of faith, we welcome all who seek understanding. • As a community of hope, we offer friendship and comfort to those in need. • As a community of love, we provide caring support and shared fellowship to all.

WE ARE A COMMUNITY CHURCH. OUR FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND MEMBERS COME FROM MANY PLACES AND MULTIPLE FAITH TRADITIONS. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO FIND A SPIRITUAL SANCTUARY HERE.

— ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASSING the PEACE —

— WELCOME —

CENTERING MUSIC *Sharon Novak*

CALL TO WORSHIP *Adapted from B.J. Beu, Ministry Matters*

One: Inexhaustible source of love and life,

People: Be with us in our time of worship as we seek the love it takes to walk in the ways of your Son.

One: Help us have compassion and concern for those who wrong us, for we cannot do so alone.

People: Teach us the joy of treating others with the same respect and goodness with which we hope to be treated.

All: May our every word and deed make known that we are your beloved children and vessels of your love. Amen.

SONG #39 *O For a Thousand
Tongues to Sing (v 1-3)* *Sharon Novak*

— PRAYING —

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and glory forever. *Amen.*

SONG #238 *The Church's
One Foundation* *Sharon Novak*

— REFLECTING —

SCRIPTURE *Luke 6:46-49*

Ending of Sermon on the Plain — ⁴⁶“Why do you call me ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I tell you? ⁴⁷I will show you what someone is like who comes to me, hears my words, and acts on them. ⁴⁸That one is like a man building a house, who dug deeply and laid the foundation on rock; when a flood arose, the river burst against that house but could not shake it, because it had been well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears and does not act is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the river burst against it, immediately it fell, and great was the ruin of that house.”

REFLECTION *FROM JESUS' SERMON
ON THE PLAIN* *Rev Beth Dyson*

— OFFERING —

*SONG #44 *Doxology* *Sharon Novak*

PRAYER of DEDICATION

— CLOSING —

*BENEDICTION

*May the love of God live in us today,
May the love of God live in us today.
May the warmth we feel within us show in all we do and say.
May the love of God live in us today.
May the peace of God be with us today,
May the peace of God be with us today.
May it guide us and protect us as we go our separate ways.
May the peace of God be with us,
May the love of God live in us,
May the love of God shine through us today.*

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE: *For* PEOPLE

New names this week:

Continuing prayers: Annie, Allan, Anjali, Annie, Arden, Alexis, Barbara, Bob, Cal, Carl, Cindi, Cheryl, Corey, Deb, Darlene, Dean, Don, Ed, Emmie, George, Heath, Karen, Jan, Jean, Joe, Joan, John, John H., Joyce, Jonathan, Judy, Kathy, Ken (KC), Ian, Irene, Laurie, Marcia, Matteo, Mary, Maureen, Meg, Michelle, Parker, Petros, Phaedra, Robert G., Sarah, Scamp, Spencer Elizabeth, Tom, Rob, Robert, Val, Wayne, Lori's niece & nephew, Dawson's sister, the Stam family.

For those in need of the essentials of life: dignity, work, education, food, water, shelter, freedom of thought and expression and belief and self-direction, sense of belonging and purpose, a place to call home. For people with new diagnosis, undergoing treatment, seeking healing and recovery in body, mind or spirit. For those with cognitive, mental, and emotional challenges and changes. For those holding vigil until the end of life, and for those who are grieving.

For those serving in the military and for their families. For those in caring roles and professions. For emergency responders: firefighters, police, EMTs and ambulance, medical health, social health, and mental health, disaster relief, crisis intervention, and others. For those in leadership positions making choices that affect other people.

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE: *For* PLACES

For climate-related occurrences around the world. For places affected by natural disasters: earthquakes, floods, fires, droughts, famine, eruptions, storms and other phenomena. For places struggling with conflict, systemic oppression, or violence such as Israel, Gaza, Palestine, and the Ukraine. For places with which we have partnership, including Chikanga Church in Mutare, Zimbabwe and communities in Honduras.

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