

Linway United Presbyterian Church
July 12, 2020 9:15 a.m. Bulletin for Worship

Prelude

Nancy Kelley, Organist

Greeting and Announcements

Gathering Prayer: (unison) **Almighty God, we thank you for planting the seed of your Word in us. By your Holy Spirit, help us to receive it with joy and live according to it, that we may grow in faith, hope and love in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Call to Worship:

L: When God chooses people to serve him, he looks not at our outward appearance, but in our heart.

P: Hearts and minds that are responsive to God are more important than physical appearance or greatness.

L: David was responsive to God in his heart, and God chose him to be King of Israel.

P: May our hearts be in tune with our Lord that he may use us in his service.

L: Come, let us worship God.

Opening Hymn

Come, Let Us Praise the Lord

Please refrain from singing

*Invitation to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession: **Almighty God, you have saved us by the sacrifice of your own Son, Jesus Christ. Through his obedience, you have provided us with a new beginning to live according to your will. We confess that we do not easily accept the sacrifice of Jesus. We resist because we cannot comprehend the value exchanged. Sin compels us to seek our own way rather than yielding to your loving will. When we begin to understand your love for us, we often feel that we must do something in return for your gracious gift. Forgive us our sin, O God. Help us to accept your love and yield our life in faithfulness. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.**

*Declaration of Pardon:

L: *Jesus Christ is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the first born from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.*

P: For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of the cross (Colossians 1:18-20).

L: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel:

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Special Music

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:1-11

Morning Prayer, the Lord's Prayer, and Prayer Response

Sermon:

"Mind Set"

Rev. Dr. Mary Louise Russell, Guest Speaker

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Closing Hymn

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

Please refrain from singing

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

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***Indicates those who are able to please stand**

Place attendance card in basket at door when exiting. Include name, address, telephone, & email.

Please place offering in box when exiting the Sanctuary. Please use restrooms in Preschool Hallway.



Please Remember In Our Prayers:

Helen Alexander, John Arnold, Dennis Bernhardt, Betty Brinker, Charlotte, Bill Chobanic, Clay & Lois, Clark Danner, Dorothy, Cindy Druga, Mike Feigh, Betty Frommell, Gloria, Jason & Jackie, Karen, Audrey Koppel, Linda, Edward Lloyd, Rita Marrow, Miller Family, Nellie Nicholls, Nan Oskin, Carol Pascarella, Pat, Fran Pepler, Ann Puscaric, Renee, Doreen Sever, Linda Smith, Michelle Smith, Cindy Taylor, Jim Welsh, Irene Young

Scripture Readings

The following scripture readings have been suggested by the Presbytery for July 12:

[Genesis 25: 19 - 34](#)

[Romans 8: 1 - 11](#)

[Psalms 119: 105 - 112](#)

[Matthew 13: 1 - 9, 18 - 23](#)

Why?

By Linway Member Frank Fawcett

*As I search and wonder why,
I wonder, why so many whys?
I look for answers to my queries,
I just come up with nuts and berries.
Sometimes it seems too much to ask
For love and joy and peace that lasts.
What will it take for us to know
That love can make the roses grow;
The power of love that makes us sing;
That love of God is everything?
And that same love can make us wise,
The answer to our many whys.
P.S. Only love can conquer hate.
Only love can make us great.*

