

Linway United Presbyterian Church
August 30, 2020 9:15 a.m. Bulletin for Worship

- Prelude Nancy Kelley, Organist
- Greeting and Announcements
- Gathering Prayer: (unison) **O God, author and giver of all good things, plant in our hearts the love of your name. Deepen in us a true faith in your love. Nourish us with a sense of your abiding presence. Bring forth in your people the fruits of faithful witness, for we ask these things through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**
- Call to Worship: Gwenn Heshizer, Liturgist
- L: We have gathered here this morning for a common purpose.
- P: We have come to this house of God to give thanks and praise to our Creator, and to seek comfort, inspiration, community, and insight as we worship.**
- L: Come, let us worship God.
- Opening Hymn *For Beauty of Meadows* Please refrain from singing
- *Invitation to Confession
- *Unison Prayer of Confession: **Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to died, and too deep for us to do anything about. We have not labored for you but have been content to labor for our own wants and desires. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts cannot bear, and what has become for us the sin of our lives. Holy God, set us free from a past that we cannot change, and open to us a future where we can be changed to grow more in your image. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**
- *Declaration of Pardon:
- L: Hear once again what the Apostle Paul wrote: *If God is for us, who then can be against us (Romans 8:31)?*
- P: Our hope is in the name of Jesus Christ, who pardoned the thief on the cross and forgave those who put him to death.**
- L: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel:
- P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**
- Special Music
- Scripture Reading: Genesis 28: 10-19a
- Morning Prayer, the Lord's Prayer, and Organ Response
- Sermon: **"The Labor of Rest"** Rev. Eric E. Dennis, Pastor
- *Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed
- Closing Hymn *Go Now In Peace* Please refrain from singing
- *Charge and Benediction
- *Postlude Nancy Kelley, Organist

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

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- We ask that you please complete an attendance card and place it in the basket when exiting the Sanctuary in case contact tracing becomes necessary. Include name, address, telephone, & email.
 - Please place any offering in the box when exiting the Sanctuary.
 - Please use the restrooms located in the Preschool Hallway.



Please Remember In Our Prayers:

Helen Alexander, John Arnold, Dennis Bernhardt, Betty Brinker, Carlie, Clay & Lois, Clark Danner, Dorothy, Cindy Druga, Dziak Family, Mike Feigh, Betty Frommell, Gloria, Jason & Jackie, Justin, Karen, Wendie King, Audrey Koppel, Karen & Frank Kordalski Sr., Linda, Chuck Linderman, Edward Lloyd, Rita Marrow, Nellie Nicholls, Anne Nutter, Nan Oskin, Carol Pascarella, Pat, Fran Pepler, Ann Puscaric, Renee, Doreen Sever, Linda Smith, Michelle Smith, Peg Torbich, Dick Trent, Welsh Family

Scripture Readings

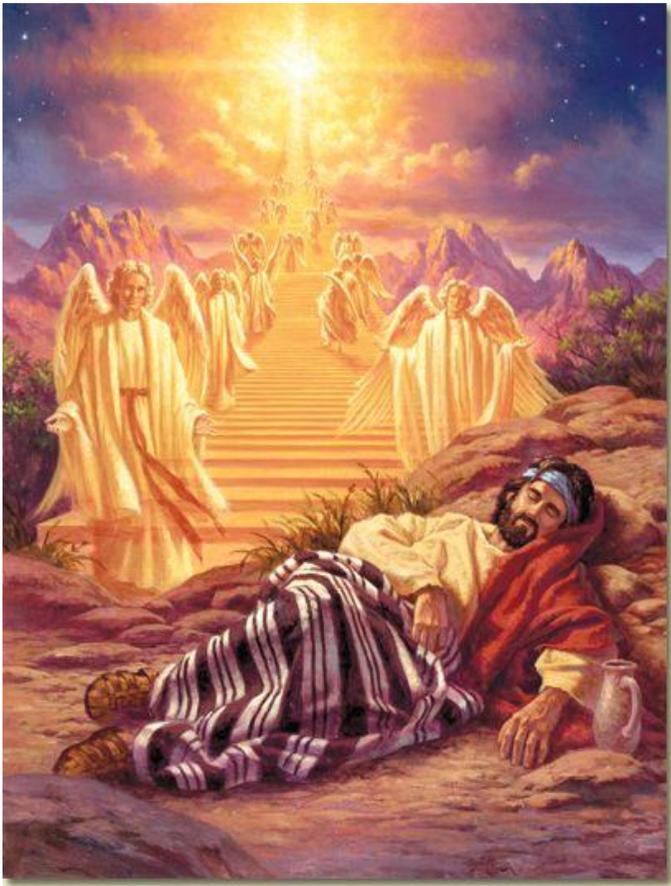
The following scripture readings have been suggested by the Presbytery for this week:

Exodus 3:1-15

Psalms 105: 1-6, 23-26, 45

Romans 12: 9-21

Matthew 16: 21-28



“And he dreamed: A stairway was set on the ground with its top reaching heaven, and God’s angels were going up and down on it. ¹³ Yahweh was standing there beside him, saying, “I am Yahweh, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your offspring the land that you are now sleeping on. ¹⁴ Your offspring will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out toward the west, the east, the north, and the south. All the peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. ¹⁵ Look, I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go. I will bring you back to this land, for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.” ¹⁶ When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he said, “Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it.” ¹⁷ He was afraid and said, “What an awesome place this is! This is none other than the house of God. This is the gate of heaven.”

Genesis 28: 12-17

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