

GOD HAS ENTRUSTED US WITH A MISSION

Parable of the Tenants

Matt 21:33-46

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*Central and Algonquin
United Methodist Churches*

Sunday, October 8, 2023

Mission Statement:

**Connecting all people to God by building bridges
of caring, outreach, and acceptance.**

With Pastor Marty Johnston

Central and Algonquin UMC's Worship Gathering

October 08, 2023, 10:30 am

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*Indicates please stand on your feet or in your heart.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRELUDE

WELCOME/MISSION STATEMENT

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*CALL TO WORSHIP¹

One: The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;

All: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple;

One: the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;

All: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes;

One: the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring for ever;

All: the ordinances of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether

One: More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;

All: sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.

One: Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great
reward.

All: But who can understand one's own errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

One: Also keep your servant from the insolent; let them not have dominion over
me.

**All: Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression. Let the
words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your
sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.**

*OPENING HYMN "The Church's One Foundation"

UMH 546

*PASTOR'S OPENING PRAYER

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Youth are invited to attend Young Christian's Worship at this time downstairs.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT - "What Gift Can We Bring" vs. 1
sharing by Ben Jones

UMH 87

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

CHORUS "Open Our Eyes"

TFWS 2086
OPEN OUR EYES

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 21:33-46

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God

All: Thanks be to God

SERMON The Fruit of the Kingdom

INVITATION TO OFFERING

In Christ, all gifts are welcome, both great and small. Bathed in love, led by compassion, let us share our gifts and offerings with God.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

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.

UMH 95
OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION²

Blessed One, bless those who receive these gifts. Bless our words, our actions, and our gifts, that they may be blessings for your world. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CLOSING HYMN

“How I Love Jesus”

UMH 170
O HOW I LOVE JESUS

BENEDICTION

*God be with you till we meet again, by his council guide, uphold you, with his sheep
securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again...*

POSTLUDE

Footnotes: UMH—The United Methodist Hymnal

*TFWS—The Faith We Sing

*1. Taken from the UMH 751 Psalm 19:7-14

**2. Taken from the Abington Worship Annual 2023

Pastor: Pastor Marty Johnston

Organist: Kara LaLonde

Liturgist: Marcia Jenkins-Ball

Family Ministry Coordinator: Jenny Shelley

Video Camera: Derrick Washbish

Music Director: Cathy Wilkinson

Ushers/Greeters: Ray Bell/Barb Carlisle

Administrative Asst.: Abby Abrego

Announcements – October 1, 2023

Look forward to seeing you at the **Fall Church Family Outing at Ditmyer's Red Barn Farm** from **2:00-4:00 p.m. this afternoon. ***Family admission and 2 activities per child will be provided by the church, so please be sure to let Jenny Shelley know if you do plan on attending.**

The Rebecca Circle meets on the 3rd Monday of each month. They will be continuing their video series, “Listen, Love, Repeat.” See page 5 of the Flame for more details and information.

This Week

Today: Homecoming

Today: Rebecca Circle's Fall Pie Sale @CUMC following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Homemade Pies @ \$8.00 (5”), \$15 (9”). There will also be limited special Chicken Pot Pies.

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Monday: SPRC Zoom Meeting @ 6:30p.m. Pastor Marty will send out the link.

Wednesday: Bible Study @10:30 in the CUMC library with Pastor Marty starting with the book of Romans.

Wednesday: Bell Choir Rehearsal @6 p.m. - CUMC

Wednesday: Choir Rehearsal @ 7 p.m. – CUMC

Save the Date

Mon., Oct. 16 –Rebecca Circle will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 1:30 p.m. for refreshments, discussion and planning for the coming month. Hostesses for October are Susan Brown and Diana Morgan.

Wed., Oct. 18 – **Family Night** from 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. @CUMC. Dinner will be served prior to the lesson. All are welcome.

Sun., Oct. 22 - **Algonquin Soup/Chili Dinner** at 5 p.m

Central Birthdays/Anniversaries

8th – Bev Proulx, 10th – Chris Larson (25th)

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