



JESUS AND THE STORMS OF LIFE

(MARK 4:35-41)

*Central and Algonquin United
Methodist Churches*

Sunday, June 23, 2024

With Pastor Marty Johnston

Mission Statement:

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

Central and Algonquin UMC's Worship Gathering
Pastor Marty Johnston
June 23, 2024
Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
CCLI License# 3999519

Greeters/Ushers: Norb Bennin/Ron Morgan/James Arfstrom
Guest Liturgist: Sherry Hutchins

PRELUDE

“Merifield”

Correll

WELCOME/MISSION STATEMENT

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*CALL TO WORSHIP¹

One: Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion!

All: Tell among the peoples God's deeds!

One: The Lord who avenges blood is mindful of them,

All: and does not forget the cry of the afflicted.

One: Be gracious to me, O Lord! See what I suffer from those who hate me;

**All: You are the One who lifts me up from the gates of death, that I may
recount all your praises, and, in the gates of the daughter of Zion, rejoice
in your deliverance.**

One: The nations have sunk in the pit which they made;

All: their own foot has been caught in the net which they hid.

One: The Lord is made known! The Lord has executed judgment!

All: The wicked are snared in the work of their own hands.

One: The wicked shall depart to Sheol, all the nations that forget God.

**All: For the needy shall not always be forgotten, and the hope of the poor shall
not perish forever.**

One: Arise, O Lord! Let not mortals prevail;

All: let the nations be judged before you!

One: Put them in fear, O Lord;

All: let the nations know that they are mortal.

*OPENING HYMN

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

UMH 110
EIN' FESTE BURG

PASTOR'S OPENING PRAYER *

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

INTRODUCTION TO FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

This morning's reading tells an edited account of the young man David and his encounter with the Philistine giant Goliath. David's faith and sense of holy indignation propels him to challenge and defeat Goliath. This is a wonderful story for us to recall when we find ourselves facing "giant" challenges in our lives.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING I Samuel 17:4, 10-11, 20-23, 33-49

CHORUS "Open Our Eyes" TFWS 2086
OPEN OUR EYES

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Mark 4:35-41

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God

All: Thanks be to God

SERMON "Uh-Oh"

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Let us continue in our worship of God in the giving of our gifts and offerings.

OFFERTORY "Arabesque" Paxton

DOXOLOGY UMH 95
OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION²

Gracious God, As we present our offerings today, we are reminded of Your power to calm the storms and Your justice for those in need. Use these gifts to spread Your peace and to support those who seek refuge in You. May our contributions further Your kingdom and bring hope to the oppressed. In Jesus' name, we dedicate this offering. Amen.

HYMN "Give to the Winds Thy Fears" UMH129
FESTAL SONG

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE,

Leader: Merciful God,

All: receive 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 – June 23, 2024

Tuesday's Summer Office Hours

Open 9 a.m. – 11 a.m., 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. Closed 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Hiring - Family Ministries Coordinator Position

Do you know someone who enjoys working with children and loves God? **CUMC** is **seeking** to hire a **Family Ministries Coordinator**. The position is **part-time** with **flexible hours** and has a **strong support team**. A job description is available in the church office. If **interested** or have questions **contact Terri Bush** at **906-440-2850** or **Pastor Marty** at the church office.

The **Mission Committee** is **starting a new mission project** focusing on the Sault. We are starting to **collect** new or clean lightly used **clothing for the local elementary schools** to hand out to children in need. The sizes range from children's 5 through 16. Some needed items are socks, leggings, underwear, jogging or sweatpants in black, blue, and gray, sweatshirts, and hoodies. The **box in the hall by the elevator** is the **collection site**. Watch for information to come. Contact Barb Carlisle for information.

Central Birthdays/Anniversaries

6/23 – Charlene DeWitt 6/25 – Patti Kaunisto 6/26 – Bob Johnson
6/27 – Emily Baker 6/28 – Arla McDowell 6/28 – Melissa McLain
6/29 – Gayle Jonson
6/29 – Lisa and Bob Vincent - 10th Anniv.

This Week

Monday – Thursday: Vacation Bible School 9 a.m. to Noon at First United Presbyterian Church.

Wednesday: Bible Study at 10:30 in the CUMC library. Viewing and discussing “Making Good Habits & Breaking Bad Habits” by Joyce Meyer.

Save the Date

Thurs., July 4: Office Closed in observance of Independence Day.

*CLOSING HYMN

“Stand By Me”

UMH 512
STAND BY ME

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

“Hymn of Praise”

Denton

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