



*Central and Algonquin United
Methodist Churches*

Sunday, October 20, 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
October 20, 2024
Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost
CCLI License# 3999519

Greeters/Ushers: Tom Brown/Kelley Bunker/Tom Robinson
Liturgist: Sherry Hutchins

PRELUDE "Not a Sparrow Falleth" Abt arr. Peterson

INTROIT "Beach Spring" L. R. Lamb

WELCOME/MISSION STATEMENT

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*CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Leader: Praise the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, You are very great! You are clothed with splendor and majesty.

People: You wrap Yourself in light as with a garment; You stretch out the heavens like a tent.

Leader: You set the beams of Your chambers on the waters; You make the clouds Your chariot, and ride on the wings of the wind.

People: You make the winds Your messengers, flames of fire Your servants.

Leader: You set the earth on its foundations; it can never be moved.

People: You covered it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.

Leader: At Your rebuke the waters fled; at the sound of Your thunder they took to flight.

People: They flowed over the mountains, they went down into the valleys, to the place You assigned for them.

Leader: You set a boundary they cannot cross; never again will they cover the earth.

All: How many are Your works, Lord! In wisdom You made them all; the earth is full of Your creatures.

*OPENING HYMN "For the Beauty of the Earth" UMH 92
DIX

PASTOR'S OPENING PRAYER *

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

INTRODUCTION TO FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Today's reading explains that high priests are chosen to help people by offering sacrifices to God for their sins. Jesus, like these priests, was chosen by God. Even though Jesus is God's Son, He still learned obedience by going through suffering. This made Him the perfect source of eternal salvation for everyone who follows Him. Jesus is also compared to Melchizedek, a special priest from the Old Testament, to show that Jesus' priesthood is unique and lasts forever.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Hebrews 5:1-10

- 1 Every high priest is selected from among the people and is appointed to represent the people in matters related to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins.
- 2 He is able to deal gently with those who are ignorant and are going astray, since he himself is subject to weakness.
- 3 This is why he has to offer sacrifices for his own sins, as well as for the sins of the people.
- 4 And no one takes this honor on himself, but he receives it when called by God, just as Aaron was.
- 5 In the same way, Christ did not take on himself the glory of becoming a high priest. But God said to him, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father."
- 6 And he says in another place, "You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek."
- 7 During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission.
- 8 Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered
- 9 and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him
- 10 and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek.

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God

All: **Thanks be to God**

BELL CHOIR ANTHEM

"Kingsfold"

arr. L. R. Lamb

SERMON

The Perfect Priest

INVITATION TO OFFERING

In service and love, may we bring our hearts, our offerings, and our gifts to God and to God's church.

CHORAL OFFERTORY

"O Holy Jesus"

J. Willcocks

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

Great and Gracious God, May your glory and your grace shine through everything we give, everything we say, and everything we do. In loving gratitude, we pray. Amen.

HYMN

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

UMH 286
PASSION CHORALE

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 – October 20, 2024

The First United Presbyterian Church is holding its 2024 Annual Tea and Bazaar, "Angels Among US", on Nov. 2, 1 – 3 PM at 555 Bingham St., SSM. Tickets are \$8.

All Saints Day is Sunday, **November 3**. If you **want a loved one's name remembered during the service**, email the information to Linda Bell at

lindabell@lighthouse.net or submit the name(s) to Kimberly in the church office **by Monday, October 28, 2024.**

In celebration of **All Saints Day**, a **special gift** will be given to **all attending church in person**. Plan to come in person that day!

The Women of Faith **Annual Bazaar** will be held on **Saturday, November 9th**. The doors will be **open** for shoppers from **9:30 AM to 2:00 PM**. We will once again be offering a **morning coffee from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM**, and our **Tea Luncheon**, with our famous sandwich loaves, will be held from **11:00 AM to 1:30 PM**. **Morning coffee** is being offered for a **free-will donation**, while the afternoon **tea luncheon** will be through a ticket purchase of **\$7.50**.

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. Anyone **interested** or with questions is encouraged to **contact Pastor Marty** at the church office or **Terri Bush** at **906-440-2850**.

Algonquin Birthdays

Oct. 21 – Michele Pratt Oct. 24 – Laura Anderson
Oct. 25 – Abby Atkins Bloomquist

Central Birthday/Anniversary

Oct. 20 – Mark LaRoue
Oct. 23 – Matthew Shadnaw
Oct. 26 – Alex Rowell
Oct. 20 – Debbie and Art Smart – 51st Anniv.

This Week

Wednesday – Bell Choir rehearsal @ 6 PM in the CUMC choir room.
– **Choir rehearsal @ 7 PM** in the CUMC choir room.

Save the Date

Sun., Oct. 27th – Stewardship Sunday - “Sharing the Gifts We Have Been Given”
– **Annual Church Conference @12:30 PM**, preceded by **SPRC at noon**

Sun., Nov. 3 – All Saints Day

Sun., Nov. 9 – Annual Christmas Bazaar – 9:20 AM – 2 PM

*CLOSING HYMN “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name (vs1-4)”

UMH 154
CORONATION

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...*

CHORAL BENEDICTION

"As We Go"

J. Johnson arr. D. Shipp

POSTLUDE

“Praise to the God of Our Salvation”

Hughes

Adult Bible Study, Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM
led by Ray and Diane Bell - ALL are welcome.

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