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To receive our mid-week email, *Weekday Words*,  
please email the office

Welcome - We are glad that you have chosen to join us for worship this morning. If you would like additional information about HCC please speak to the pastor or worship leader and plan to join us for refreshments and community time after the service.

Children - We believe children of all ages have a place in worship and in the life of the church. A children's bulletin and supplies are available at the entrance to the sanctuary. Nursery care is available.

Prayer request sheets are placed at each entrance. Prayers will be offered later in today's service.

Accessibility - Individual listening headsets are available to provide hearing assistance to any in need. Contact one of the ushers for help.

# *The Homer Congregational Church*

## *United Church of Christ*

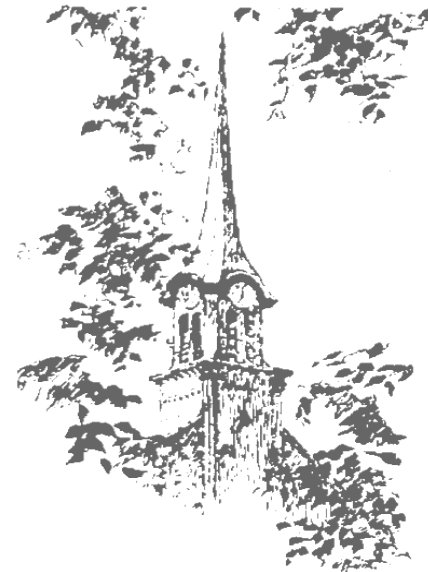
July 12, 2015



7th Sunday after Pentecost

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### **9:30 am Worship**



*Gathered on the Green in 1801- Still Gathered Doing God's Mission*

## Service of Worship

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### For Quiet Meditation

#### *Psalm 24*

<sup>1</sup>The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,  
the world, and those who live in it;

<sup>2</sup>for he has founded it on the seas,  
and established it on the rivers.

<sup>7</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates!  
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!  
that the King of glory may come in.

<sup>8</sup>Who is the King of glory?  
The LORD, strong and mighty,  
the LORD, mighty in battle.

<sup>9</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates!  
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!  
that the King of glory may come in.

<sup>10</sup>Who is this King of glory?  
The LORD of hosts,  
he is the King of glory.

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## GATHER AND PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE**      *Trumpet Tune Duet*      Clarke

**SPECIAL MUSIC**      Steve Jones and Joe Ford

## THE PEOPLE OF GOD GATHER

### CALL TO WORSHIP

**One:** We enter worship through doors that have been opened for us: opened by God's grace that welcomes all, opened by a community that welcomes everyone.

**All:** **Let us open the doors of our minds and spirits to Sacred Presence. Let us open the doors of our community to all. Let us open the doors to our kinship with each other and all creation of Christ.**

**\*HYMN #22**      *All Creatures of Our God and King*

**PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE** (let us pray together . . .)  
**Be with us, O God, as we navigate the complicated rhythms of life. Guide our words and deeds, so that the relationships we form might embody the hospitality you extend to us. Amen.**

**\*MUSICAL RESPONSE**      *(or see page 2 in the Hymnal)*

**Joyful, joyful we adore you,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before you,  
opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
fill us with the light of day!**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**      Steve Jones and Joe Ford

## GOD'S WORD TO GOD'S PEOPLE

**SCRIPTURE**      Mark 6:14-29      NT page 40

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT

\*HYMN #129      *Lift Up Your Heads, O Mighty Gates*

## SERMON

### GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

#### PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

One: Hear our prayer, O God, for all who long to feel included in their community, family, or congregation (*the congregation may lift names before God, with their voices and hearts*).

**All: Be merciful, God, and lead us to extend a hand in welcome.**

One: Hear our prayer, O God, for those who suffer persecution because of their faith. (*the congregation may lift names before God, with their voices and hearts*).

**All: Be merciful, God, and strengthen us to speak for justice.**

One: Hear our prayer, O God, for all who call out for forgiveness and new beginnings. (*the congregation may lift names before God, with their voices and hearts*).

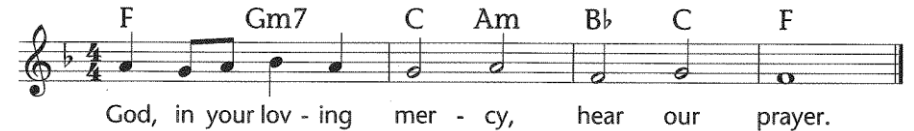
**All: Be merciful, God, and grant us your salvation.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER (*unison*)

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## PRAYER RESPONSE

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## OFFERING

### Invitation

### Offertory

*Adagio*

Albinoni

\*Doxology (*page 48 in hymnal*)      *tune: TALLIS' CANON*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise Christ all creatures here below;**

**Holy Spirit evermore;**

**One God triune, whom we adore. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Dedication (*let us pray together . . .*)

**May our gifts be used to translate our faith into programs, ministries and a worship space that is hospitable to all. Amen.**

### GOD'S PEOPLE DEPART TO SERVE

\*HYMN #560

*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE Steve Jones and Joe Ford

\*CHIMES

POSTLUDE

*Rigaudon*

Campra

\*those who are able, please stand

## NOTES AND NOTICES

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### Worship Service Participants

#### *Ushers & Greeters*

#### *Worship Leader*

Darci Gumaer

#### *Special Music*

Steve Jones and Joe Ford

#### *Nursery Volunteers*

Kathleen Dentes  
Logan Schmidt

#### *Flowers*

Joanne Cincotta  
*to loved ones*

#### *Coffee Hour*

Belinda Burtner,  
Bonnie Haaland

#### **Attendance:**

Sunday July 5 – 45

### Life in the Parish Week of July 12

#### **TODAY – July 12**

9:30 am – Worship service

10:45 am – CEM meets

12:30 pm – Hanging of the  
Quilts

#### **MONDAY – July 13**

4:00 pm – Chautauqua planning  
meeting

6:30 pm – Legends vs Cortland  
UMC 1 at Cortlandville 2

7:30 pm – Al-Anon meets

#### **TUESDAY – July 14**

2:00 pm – Bridge Group

#### **THURSDAY – July 15**

Noon – Bible Study Group

7:00 pm – "Pick up" Choir  
rehearsal in RFR

#### **SATURDAY – July 18**

#### **Holiday in Homer**

#### **NEXT SUNDAY – July 19**

9:30 am – Worship service on  
the Green

We will be **hanging the quilts** for the Holiday in Homer Quilt Show **today at 12:30**. If you have some spare time, we could use your help.

Plan to visit and volunteer for our 34th Annual **Holiday in Homer next Saturday, 9:00 am until 4:00 pm**. It's a great day of arts, crafts, food, and entertainment.

We are making booth spaces available on the Green for the Route 90 Garage Sale on July 25. Registration forms are in the Russell Fellowship Room and should be returned by July 22.

Choir rehearsal for our joint service next Sunday will be Thursday at 7:00 pm in the Russell Fellowship Room, as well as 8:45 am Sunday morning. All are welcome to join the "pick-up" choir.

Plan to be with us **next Sunday at 9:30 am** as the **Homer United Methodist Church** joins us in a worship experience on the Green. Our focus will be "Sharing in the abundance of God's gifts." Consider bring fruits and vegetables from your garden to donate to the Food Pantry or share with others. Following our time of worship we will gather under the tent for food and fellowship. A joint "pick up" choir will be led by Joe Ford. Let him know if you wish to participate. Lectionary Scripture: 2 Samuel 7:1-14a; Psalm 89:20-37; Eph. 2:11-22; Mark 6:30-56

Applications are still being accepted for our Interim Director of Christian Education. Send résumé to "Resumes@homercc.org." Job description available on our web site at [www.homercc.com](http://www.homercc.com).

#### **A Call for a Special Church Meeting**

There will be a meeting of the First Religious Society in the Town of Homer, New York on **July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015 after coffee hour** to discuss the Church front steps and our financial situation and needs. Articles in the July newsletter introduce this discussion. Any motion to change the By-laws will be published for review in advance of the meeting.