

The Homer Congregational Church United Church of Christ

September 15, 2019

14th Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 a.m. Worship



*Gathered on the Green in 1801 -
Still Being Transformed as We Do God's Mission*

Homer Congregational United Church of Christ
A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Serving us in ministry today:

Gary Harrington ~ Deacon of the Month

The Bertram Family ~ ushers/greeters

Sherri Masterson ~ nursery

Terre Dennis & Jan Bertram ~ coffee hour

The flowers today are given by
Russ and Terry Pedersen
to honor Jenelle's birthday (July 15)



Attendance September 8: 116



Service of Worship

For Quiet Meditation

Lost and Found

“There is no sun, there are no stars, there is no sea,
nothing else exists when I am lost in you, and you find
yourself in me.”

~ Nikita Gill ~

WE GATHER

**those who are able, please stand*

Welcome

Prelude When Morning Gilds The Skies Haan
Chimes

Call to Worship

One: Come, all you who are seeking God!
Come and enter this place of protection & comfort
Discover that God is seeking us!

**All: We rejoice to have God find us here,
as we come seeking God!**

One: Come and experience God's joy as we come together.

All: Here in this sanctuary we worship & meet God!

*Hymn Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant #490

Prayer of Preparation

**All: Thank you, Holy One, for this opportunity to meet
you in this place of worship. We come to this new day
after a long week, carrying all kinds of feelings,
emotions, and expectations. But here, in your**

presence, we find comfort and peace; rejoicing as your Spirit renews us and gives us hope. Amen.

GOD'S WORD BOTH ANCIENT AND NEW

Children's Time of Blessing

Anthem

Scripture Luke 15:1-10

Sermon Lost and Found

OUR RESPONSE

Silence is kept

Preparing to Pray

**When I pray, I feel my love grow deeper,
my love grow deeper into my God.**

Right here, right now. Right where I am, I pray.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Offering

Invitation to Give

Offertory Holy Manna Haan

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts.

Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

God of All, you made us who we are. We give ourselves to you. Take all that we offer, and use us to share

your love. Magnify the gifts we present today, and spread your peace throughout this world. Amen.

BLESSING

Announcements

*Hymn Amazing Grace #546

*Benediction

*Postlude Rejoice, You Pure In Heart Haan

This Week:

Tuesday, September 17

5:00 Centering Prayer

6:30 Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, September 18

7:00 Choir Practice

Thursday, September 19

4:00 Endowment Committee Meeting

The Burtsons are visiting family in California. They return on the 17th with Pastor Vicki back in the office on the 19th.

Coming Up:

Sunday, September 22

9:30 Faith Formation

10:30 Worship - Rev. Quinn Caldwell preaching

Monday, September 23

4:45 **Disciple I Bible Study** – we begin the
New Testament

5:00 **Disciple II** – studying Luke/Acts.

Thursday, September 26

6:30 Let's Talk Race led by Pastor Gary
We start with the documentary "White Like Me" by Tim Wise, and then enter into a sacred conversation on racism from October 3 to November 14. Our time together is meant to help participants better understand this important issue and how it affects all people.

Sunday, September 29

9:30 Children's Faith Formation
10:30 Worship – Led by Out Youth
4:15 Youth Group – Ropes Course and Cookout

Monday, September 30

6:30 Church Council meets

Friday, October 11 – Annual Roast Pork Dinner!!!

Food Pantry Needs

Spaghetti, Spaghetti Sauce, Instant Potatoes, Pasta Sides, Condensed Soups, Chunky Soups, Canned Pineapple, Applesauce, Canned Vegetables, Pasta, Cereal, Kidney Beans, Pork & Beans, Jelly, Diced Tomatoes, Baked Beans, Ramen Noodles, Kids Snacks and Canned Meats

Mark Your Calendars for CROP WALK!!!

Sunday, October 27

This year is the 50th anniversary of this vital grassroots fundraising effort that seeks to end hunger at home and around the world. To celebrate this historic anniversary, we would like to have at least 50 walkers from Homer Congregational Church who will raise at least \$50 per walker. Be part of our team as we bring God's love to the world! To register for our team and to donate, please visit:

<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/cortlandny/Team/View/108215/Homer-Congregational-Church>

Or use this QR Code...



The Little York Walkers (Dora Jones, Becky Jones and Keith Palm) will be participating in the Walk to End Alzheimer's in Syracuse on Sunday, September 29th. If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, you can go online to www.alz.org/walk , or you can give a cash donation or a check made out to Alzheimer's Association and give to one of these walkers. Thank you so much for your support.

Excerpt from ***You Will Be Found***
by Ben Platt, Laura Dreyfuss
from the musical "Dear Evan Hansen"

Have you ever felt like nobody was there?
Have you ever felt forgotten in the middle of nowhere?
Have you ever felt like you could disappear?
Like you could fall, and no one would hear?

Well, let that lonely feeling wash away
Maybe there's a reason to believe you'll be okay
'Cause when you don't feel strong enough to stand
You can reach, reach out your hand
And oh, someone will come running
And I know, they'll take you home

Even when the dark comes crashing through
When you need a friend to carry you
And when you're broken on the ground
You will be found

So let the sun come streaming in
'Cause you'll reach up and you'll rise again
Lift your head and look around

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