The Homer Congregational Church United Church of Christ

October 20, 2019

19th Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 a.m. Worship

Welcoming Members



Old and New!

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:
Bonnie Smith ~ Deacon of the Day
Anelia Corbin ~ Lector
Asa Caldwell & Daniel Ford ~ Acolytes

Kathy Alvord, Ellen Paterson Evan & Alex Faulkenbury~ Ushers Joanne Cincotta ~ Nursery

The flowers are given by
Dale Halstead in loving memory of Jennie Halstead
& Sylvia Hammond in loving memory of Fred Hammond

TODAY

You are invited to stay for a potluck luncheon in honor of those celebrating membership anniversaries & those who have joined our Church today.

Attendance October 13: 67



Service of Worship

For Quiet Meditation

In every circumstance, regardless of the outcome, the main thing Jesus has asked me to do is love God and my neighbor as religiously as I love myself. The minute I have that handled, I will ask for my next assignment. For now, my hands are full.

~ from *Holy Envy* by Barbara Brown Taylor

WE GATHER *those who are able, please stand

Welcome

Prelude Chimes Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hobby

Call to Worship

One: Welcome friends! Today we give thanks for the example of faith lived by our forbearers.

Many: We remember our dear ones who left this earthly life this year: Muriel Newcomb, Lucille Ripley, Terry "Bert" Bertram, Laura Collier Cinquanti, Dale Barhite, David Barnes, Barbara Hale and Beth Knapp.

One: Welcome friends who are long-time members! Many: As we celebrate anniversaries, we give thanks for the ways you have shared yourself with this congregation.

One: Welcome dear ones who will join this family of faith today.

Many: Bettie, Linda, Donna Nancy, Tim and Carrie – we share your joy today. Our lives will be enriched by your presence among us.

One: No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

*Hymn All Creatures of Our God and King #22

Prayer of Presence

CELEBRATING OUR FAMILY OF FAITH

Scripture

Psalm 100

Children's Moment

Happy Anniversaries!

10 years ~ 2009

Pat Buchholz Gwen Hayne

20 years ~ 1999

Andrew & Laurie Leach

25 years ~ 1994

Kathleen Alvord Barb & Peter Wright

40 years ~ 1979

Clay Benedict Lee & Terre Dennis

60 years ~ 1959

Nadyne Harris

70+ years:

70 years ~ 1949 Sally Gray, Isabel Coon

71 years ~ 1948 James Gray

74 years ~ 1945 Fran Armstrong

76 years ~ 1943 Jaff Harris, Don Lawson

Anthem Shepherd Me, O God Callahan

Sermon Old and New

OUR RESPONSE

Receiving New Members:

Bettie Brown Linda Homer

Donna Riley Carrie Scheibner

Nancy & Timothy Sandstrom

Congregational Response:

In the name of God, we welcome you. We covenant with you to fulfill our church's mission, written on our wall: to welcome everyone, no matter who they are or where they are on life's journey, and to share God's love for all people through the ministries of fellowship, worship, nurture, service and mission.

Prayers of the People

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

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Offering

Stewardship Moment and an Invitation to Give

Offertory

Blessed Assurance

Hebble

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

Good and gracious God, we bring our gifts of time, talent and treasure. May all that we give bring good news to those in need. Amen.

^{*}Doxology (tune: Tallis' Canon)

BLESSING

Announcements

*Hymn Shalom to You Now #436

*Benediction

*Postlude Trumpet Tune German

THIS WEEK:

Monday

4:45 Disciple I

5:15 Disciple II

Tuesday

4:45 Homer Nursery School Board

5:00 Centering Prayer

Thursday

6:30 Sacred Conversation about Race

Saturday

8:30 Stephen Ministry Retreat at UPC

10-12 Kids' Used Clothing Swap (ticket needed)

12-2 Kids' Used Clothing give-away

COMING UP:

Sunday, Oct. 27

9:30 Faith Formation for Children

Adult Faith Formation *Holy Envy* – chapter 1

10:30 Worship - dedication of CROP Walkers

Noon Outreach Team meets

1:00 CROP Walk gathering at Grace Holy Spirit

Actual walk begins at 1:30

Monday, October 28

4:45 Disciple I

5:15 Disciple II

Tuesday, October 29

5:00 Centering Prayer

Thursday, October 31

No Sacred Conversation on Race tonight.

Sunday, November 3

9:30 Faith Formation for all ages10:30 Worship with Communion

6:00 Ir. High Youth Group at HCC

Sunday, November 10

Stewardship Sunday – we look forward to sharing our pledges of time, talent and treasure.

James Shultes Organist from 1979 ~ 2019



Thank you for 40 years of music...and counting!