

**October 17, 2021 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am**

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

\*Call to Worship

Leader: We hear the voice of God calling.

**People: Love your neighbor as yourself.**

Leader: We feel the Spirit moving among us.

**People: Moving us to acts of compassion.**

Leader: We know the love of Jesus.

**People: We love because Christ first loved us.**

Leader: Come, worship God together.

**All: Come, let us serve our God, who calls us by name.**

\*Hymn of Praise Celebration Hymnal No. 151  
*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

\*Prayer of Invocation

**God of love, give us a deep love for you, so that we can see the world as you see it, feel the compassion you feel, and be a people whose lives radiate your love to others. So open our eyes that we might see what the Good Samaritan saw. Grant us the insight to see the need in others, the wisdom to know what to do, and the will to do it. And so we pray for all those, who in many and various ways, have been stripped, beaten and left for dead. Open our eyes, that we might not cross the road from human need. Give us a deep love for you, that we might see your love at work in this world. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

Scripture Reading

Luke 10:25-37

\*Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.  
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

Sermon

*The Good Innkeeper*

Nancy Wolter

Hymn of Reflection

*The Servant Song*

Celebration Hymnal No. 424

Pastoral Prayer

The 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 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.*

\*Hymn of Going Forth

Celebration Hymnal No. 343

*Amazing Grace*

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response

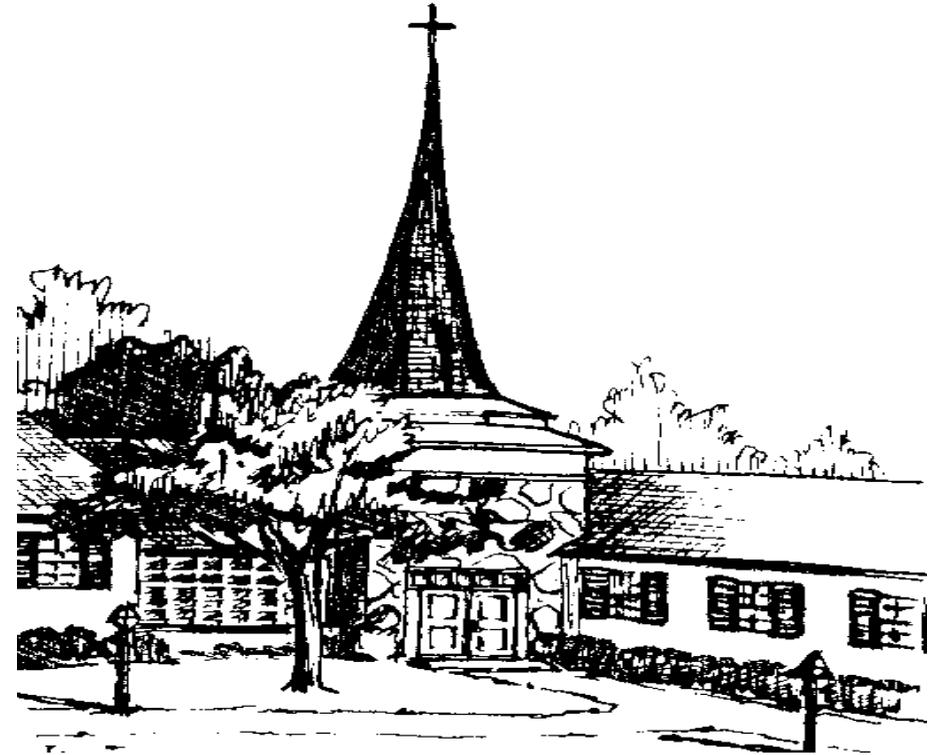
*Make Us One*

Make us one Lord, make us one  
Holy Spirit, make us one  
Let our love flow, so the world will know  
We are one in you; we are one in you.

Postlude

\*We invite you to stand if you are able.

# ***WELCOME!***



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Scripture

Luke 10:25-37

**25** On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus.

“Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

**26** “What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?”

**27** He answered, “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’ ; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ ”

**28** “You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.”

**29** But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

**30** In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead.

**31** A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side.

**32** So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

**33** But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him.

**34** He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him.

**35** The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’

**36** “Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”

**37** The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God

### Church Covenant

**We are banded together as a Christian Church to maintain the worship of God the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer; to proclaim the gospel of Christ, to develop in ourselves and others a consciousness of our relationship and duties to God and each other; to create a spirit of love for truth, a passion for righteousness and enthusiasm for service; to respect and protect all of God’s creation. To this end we pledge our loyalty to Christ and covenant with God and with each other to strive to express God’s spirit in our individual and corporate life; to live together as Christians and to submit ourselves to the government of this church, working, giving, praying for its increase, purity and peace, seeking in every way to make it a power for the building up of the Kingdom of God.**