



"... everything is ready; come to the wedding feast."

Matthew 22:4

19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2020 @ 10:00 am

Church of The Cross

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WELCOME ALL

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP¹ (adapted from Proverbs 9:1-6)

Rev Julie Peterson

Wisdom has built her house,
made the dinner, poured the wine, and set the table.

**She has sent out her servants
and issued the invitation from the highest point in the city.**

“You that are simple, come in!

You without knowledge, come, eat of my bread, drink the wine I have mixed.

Abandon your simplistic ways and live, walk in the way of understanding.”

**The banquet of God is set, Wisdom has called us in,
and Jesus has made a place at the table.”**

Come, for all things are ready.

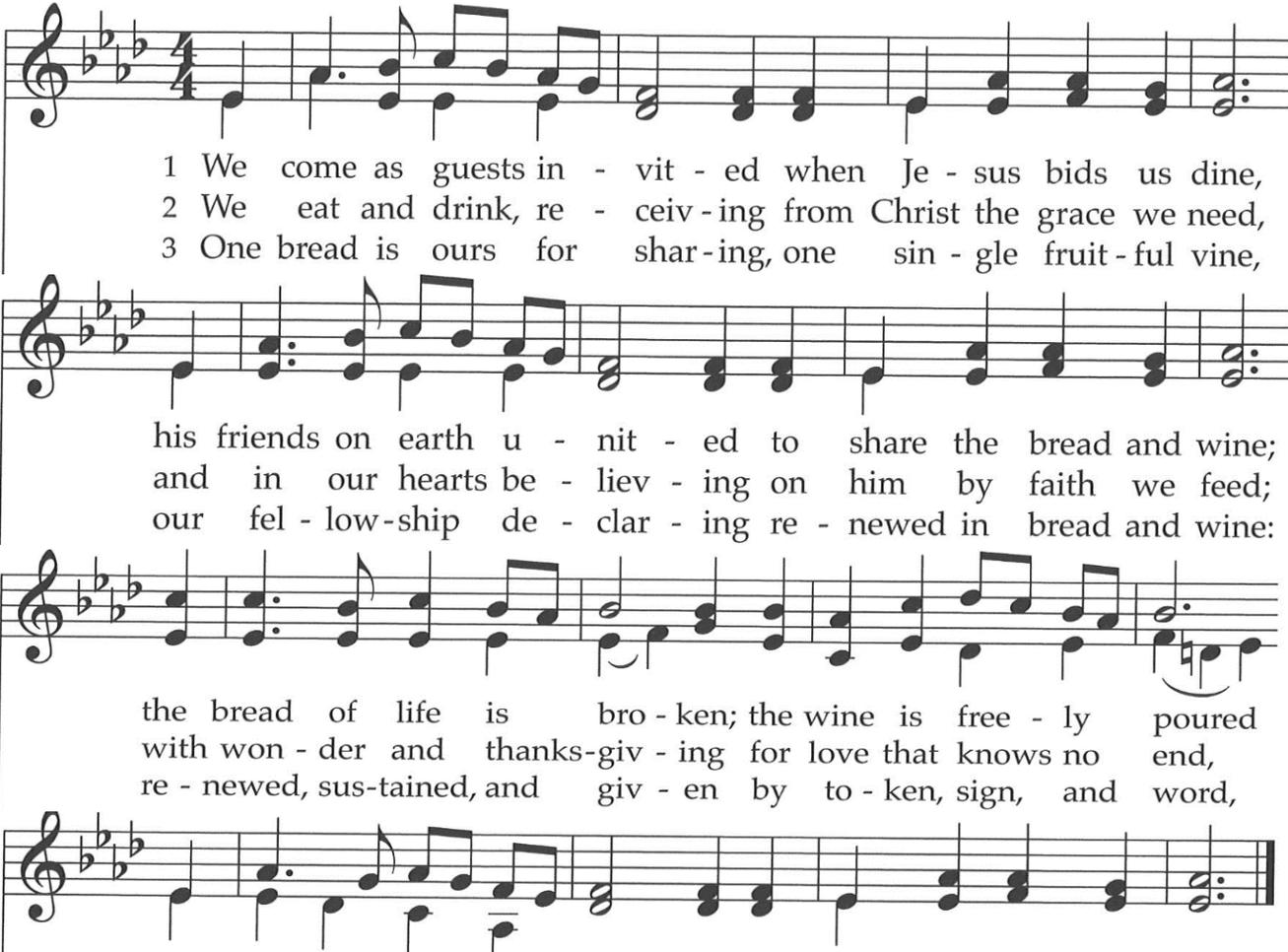
Let us worship our God.

OPENING HYMN

“We Come as Guests Invited”

recorded at COTC 11-3-19

GTG 504; Blue #517



1 We come as guests in - vit - ed when Je - sus bids us dine,
2 We eat and drink, re - ceiv - ing from Christ the grace we need,
3 One bread is ours for shar - ing, one sin - gle fruit - ful vine,
his friends on earth u - nit - ed to share the bread and wine;
and in our hearts be - liev - ing on him by faith we feed;
our fel - low - ship de - clar - ing re - newed in bread and wine:
the bread of life is bro - ken; the wine is free - ly poured
with won - der and thanks - giv - ing for love that knows no end,
re - newed, sus - tained, and giv - en by to - ken, sign, and word,
for us, in sol - emn to - ken of Christ our dy - ing Lord.
we find in Je - sus liv - ing our ev - er - pres - ent friend.
the pledge and seal of heav - en, the love of Christ our Lord.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION¹

Inviting God, we confess at times we have ignored your invitation. We've procrastinated, hemmed, and hawed about your ordinances and commandments, and at times simply have not wanted to accept your gracious invitation to your table. We want to have the places of honor and recognition, instead of loving and accepting our neighbors at the table, giving up our seat to make room for others.

Forgive us. May we listen for your invitation in a new way which breaks open our hearts, so we might fully enjoy the table you have prepared for us, a table of wisdom and understanding, welcome and acceptance and love for all of your people, all of your children. May we humbly accept the invitation you have made to us through Jesus Christ, knowing that none of us are truly worthy, and yet, because of your love, we all belong and have a place at the table.

OUR SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONDING TO GRACE

“Glory to God!”

GTG#582

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
 2 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

SHARE GOD'S LOVE

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

“Jesus Loves Me”

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 32:1-14

Stu R.

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

Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 22:1-14

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

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Dressing our Hearts”

Rev. Julie Peterson

OFFER HOPE ...IN JESUS' NAME

PASSING THE PEACE

“Dona Nobis Pacem”

(Grant us Peace)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH²

adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.54-55

Stu R.

Biblical visions and images of the rule of Christ, such as a heavenly city, the household of God, a new heaven and earth, a marriage feast, and an unending day culminate in the image of the kingdom. The kingdom represents God’s triumph over all that resists the divine will and disrupts God’s creation. Already God’s reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in all people, and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption.

With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

CHORAL OFFERING

“O Lamb of God”

Donna, Jane, Judie, Julie, Marie

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Stu R.

CLOSING HYMN

“O Beauty Ever Ancient”

Marie & Choir, GTG #650

Capo 3: (D) (G) (Em) (C) (G) (Em) (A) (D)
 F B \flat Gm E \flat B \flat Gm C F

1 O beau - ty ev - er an - cient, O beau - ty ev - er new,
 2 O beau - ty in cre - a - tion, in world of sound and sight,
 3 O beau - ty that is move - ment in liq - uid line of grace,
 4 O beau - ty of the Spir - it where love is shin - ing through,

(G) (Em) (F \sharp 7) (Bm) (G) (Em) (A) (D)
 B \flat Gm A7 Dm B \flat Gm C F

di - vine and Ho - ly Pres - ence, my be - ing sings to you,
 O beau - ty in the si - lence, in dark - ness as in light,
 O beau - ty that is still - ness in love - ly form or face,
 O beau - ty ev - er an - cient, O beau - ty ev - er new,

(D) (G) (Em) (C) (G) (C) (Dsus)(D) (G)
 F B \flat Gm E \flat B \flat E \flat Fsus F B \flat

in grat - i - tude, in wor - ship my be - ing sings to you!

BENEDICTION

¹Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell, <http://rev-o-lution.org>.

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Welcome All
Share God's Love
Offer Hope
... all in Jesus' name



DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

If you have a prayer request, please email or text Pastor Julie.

WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR...

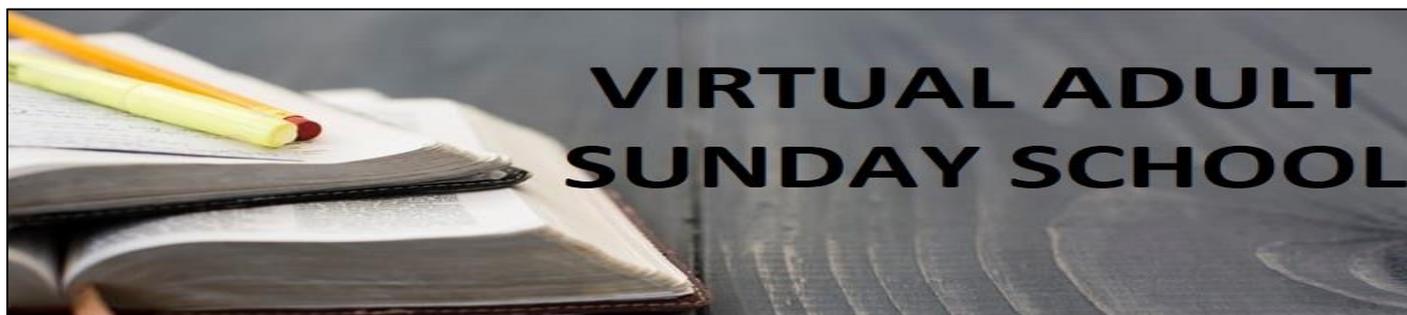
Avonne (Laura's mother)
Linda A (sister of Judy M)
Connie & Ed (friends of Karen)
Kevin B (Joe L's co-worker/friend)
Mildred B
Mary Ann B
Sushma B
Virgil B (friend of Karen)
Andree C
Chuck C (Laura D's brother)
Patrick C (Stu/Marie's son-in-law)
Renee C (Laura's sister-in-law)
Jim C (Mary Ann's son-in-law)
Tom C (Ann M's brother-in-law)
Betty D (Marie R's cousin)
Linda D (Jim/ Sue's relative)
Margaret E (Joe L's company president's Mom)
Betty F (Chris L's mother)
Shawn F (Karen F's son)
Donna F (Jim/Sue's aunt)
Karen F
Lori F (George R's OES friend)
Adelaide G
Bruce & Linda G (friends of Stu/Marie)
Nick G (Stu/Marie's grandson)
Ricky G (Sue/Joe's nephew)
Rita H (Jim/Ann's relative)
James and Sandra (friends of John/Cheryl)
Jessica (Charlie/Nancy's niece)

Karen
Marge K (George R's OES friend)
Steve (Jane's brother)
Jim/Sheryl L (Ken/Pat's son-in-law/daughter)
Phyllis L
Judy M
Klee (Fritz/Fay's son)
Kofi M (Adelaide's family friend)
Lisa M (Karen's daughter)
Steve M
Dick McW (Ann M's brother)
Noah (nephew of Adelaide's son-in-law)
Shannan (Terri H's niece)
Susan Q (Ann S's boss)
George R
Maria R (Laura D's friend)
Jessie R (Julie/Jeff's niece)
Ann & Geoff S
Marnie S (Glenna M's friend)
Larry V (Jim V's father)
April V (Chris V's cousin)
Caregivers
Communities impacted by natural disasters
Those devastated by terrorism
Families of suicide loss
Those who grieve
 • **family of Robert Tallis** (Joe L's cousin)
Our world and all victims/families
 affected by COVID-19
Those affected by the fires on the west coast

SANCTUARY FLOWERS



This week's flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God
From Cheryl and John Wilkins



The group meets via Zoom on **Sundays at 11:30 am.**

Our study book is "The Color of Compromise. The Truth about the American Church's Complicity in Racism" by Jemar Tisdie. The book tells the story of how people of faith have historically - up to now - worked against racial Justice. **EVERYONE is invited to join the study**—just let Pastor Julie know you are interested, and the Zoom info will be sent directly to you.



Our next Book Club meeting will be on Wednesday, October 22 at 7:30 pm
We will be discussing "The Water Dancer" by Ta-nehisi Coates.

If you want to be included, please email Judie at judietrue@gmail.com and she will send you a Zoom invitation.

CROP HUNGER WALK

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



Cheryl W and Centro de Informacion will be participating again to do something about meeting hunger needs both locally and around the world.

Elgin Cooperative Ministry organizes the Elgin CROP Walk for Sunday, October 18th, and Centro de Informacion is a member of ECM. In fact, 25% of all the money raised in the Elgin walk goes to ECM to support local food pantries and soup kitchens. Centro's small emergency pantry, which is seeing almost twice as many people now as it did 4 months ago, is one of the beneficiaries. Please donate on the website to support:

<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/elginil/Centro?tab=MyPage>



Join us via Zoom every **Wednesday at 12 noon** for bible study as we discuss scripture passages for our upcoming worship service.

Contact Pastor Julie for the Zoom access information to join the Bible Study.

October 14	Matthew 22:15-22; Exodus 33:12-23
October 21	Matthew 22:34-46; Deuteronomy 34:1-12
October 28	Matthew 23:1-12; Joshua 3:7-17
November 4	Matthew 25:1-13; Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25
November 11	Matthew 25:14-30; Judges 4:1-7
November 18	Matthew 25:31-46; Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24



Men's Bible Study will meet on October 14, 28, and November 18
Meetings start at 7:00 pm.

Our current study is on the book *A Resilient Life*, by Gordon MacDonald.
We meet via Zoom. We encourage new attendees, so if interested, please
contact Ken G. or Stu R. for access details. If you do not have a copy of the
book, *A Resilient Life*, consider ordering from Amazon.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

**DROP OFF AT 1 ILLINOIS BLVD HOFFMAN ESTATES
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY FROM 9-1PM.**

FINANCIAL DONATIONS:

Monetary donations allow us to purchase goods based on the needs of our clients at wholesale prices and is the easiest way to meet the growing demand at this time. Checks can be mailed to the Township (Attn: Food Pantry) and should be made out to the Township of Schaumburg with Food Pantry in the memo section. Donations can also be made online through our website schaumburgtownship.org. Please remember to signify the donation should be made to the Food Pantry.

FOOD DONATIONS:

- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Pasta and Pasta Sauce
- Soup
- Oatmeal and Cereal
- Canned Meats (tuna fish, chicken, ham, Spam)
- Canned Fruit (peaches, pears, mandarin oranges)
- Canned Pasta Meals
- Beef Stew, Chili, Pork n Beans
- Canned or Boxed Potatoes
- Canned or Dry Beans
- Tomato Products
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Hamburger Helper
- Pasta Roni
- Rice A Roni
- Toilet Paper and Paper Towels



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<http://a.co/9YbUnas>

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