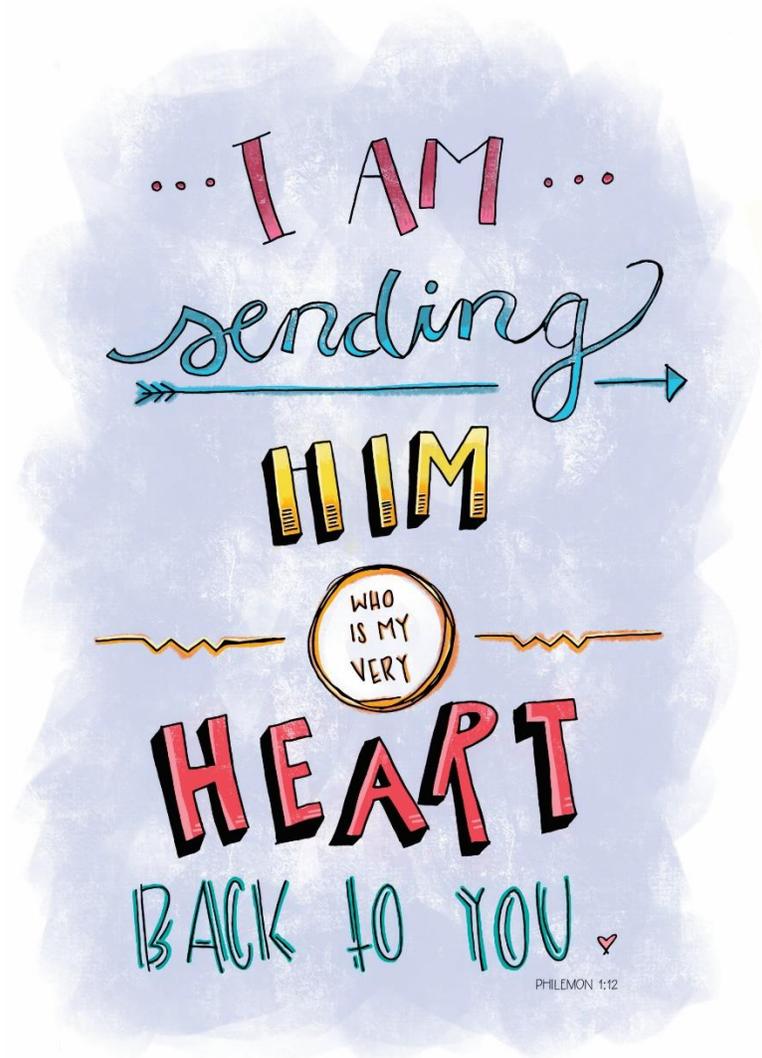


Service for the Lord's Day

September 8, 2019 11:00 a.m.
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sarah Ore

New to Hunter? Here's some information to help you feel at home. Where you see asterisks in the bulletin, you're invited to stand. When we pass the peace, you're invited to greet those around you with a joyful sign of Christ's peace. All children are welcome to come forward for the sharing with young disciples. When we share our joys and concerns, feel free to join in. We offer a nursery for newborns through 3-year-olds. Thank you for visiting Hunter. We're glad you're here! Before you leave, please sign our guestbook in the narthex.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

"Simple Gifts"

arr. Patricia Lou Harris

*Call to Worship

O Lord, you have searched me and known me, and are acquainted with all my ways.

Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! I try to count them—they are like the sand.

Let us Worship God!

*Hymn 754

"Help Us Accept Each Other"

BARONITA

Prayer of Confession

God in Christ, who endured the cross in your own flesh for our sakes, hear us as we confess our sin. We would be your bold disciples, but we fear suffering. We would carry our cross, but it weighs too much. We count the cost of following you—as long as there are benefits; but to renounce all we have is a devastating prospect. Forgive the conditions we make when we try to obey, and free us by your grace to forsake all and follow you. Amen.

(moment for silent reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

*Hymn 585

"Glory to God"

MACHU-PICHU

*Passing of the Peace

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Gathering Song

"When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace"
(hymn 302, verse 1)

O WALY WALY

**When hands reach out and fingers trace the beauty of a loved one's face,
we thank you, God, that love relies on gifts of grace not seen with eyes.**

Sharing with Young Disciples

HEARING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures

Jeremiah 18:1-11

(O.T., p. 720)

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

Reading from the Psalms

Psalms 139

Refrain



Search me, O God, you know me com - plete - ly.



Be my sure guide, my hope and stay.

Reading from the New Testament

Philemon 1-21

(N.T., p. 215)

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

Message

"Cracking the Code"

J. T. Silence

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Choral Anthem

"How excellent Thy name"

G.F. Handel

Minute for Mission

Howard Moffett

Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Presenting Our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

"Jerusalem, the Golden"

arr. Tim Doran

*Hymn 609

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication

*Hymn 761

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

BEECHER

*Charge & Benediction

*Hymn 564

"Amen"

AMEN

Postlude

Improvisation and Toccata on "Diademata"

arr. Lani Smith

Depart in Peace

*Please stand as you are able.

Household Prayer: O God, our Rock and Redeemer, you are the stronghold and the refuge of faith, the foundation of hope and the safeguard for all who praise your name. With you we can walk and not stumble, run and not fall, and lie down in safety. We shall fill our days with visions of your lofty splendor, and consider each moment as sacred because of your grace. Amen.

This Week at Hunter

9/8 Sunday

Fall Kick-Off Luncheon 12:15p.m.

9/11 Wednesday

Stewardship Committee 5:30p.m.

Choir Practice 7:00p.m.

Unity Garden Room 7:00p.m.

9/14 Saturday

Football Parking

9/15 Sunday

Early Worship 8:45a.m.

Sunday School 9:30a.m.

Morning Worship 11:00a.m.

Session 12:15p.m.

Sunday Announcements

A warm welcome to all visitors. We are glad you chose to worship with us today.

Our liturgist today is: **Debi Hardin**

Prayer Requests:

Prayers for: Ruth, Dorothy, and the Beattie family grieving the death of James, Todd Guffey, Destiny Blair, Richard Weis, Anthony Battista (grandson of David & Brenda Reynolds), Rubin Thomas, Wilton Cherry, Doris Palmer, Ann Johnson (friend of Bob White & Annie Rhoten).

Immediately following worship this morning we are having our Fall Kick-Off Luncheon. Session members are providing the food so just come and enjoy!

2019 Per Capita Fund Offering – The Transylvania Presbytery and Presbyterian Church (USA) Per Capita assessment for 2019 is \$38.44 per member. Each active member of Hunter is being asked to consider contributing the \$38.44 that Hunter will pay this year for each of our members. If you would like to contribute your assessment amount, please use the pew envelope marked "Per Capita Fund Offering" or write Per Capita Fund Offering in the memo line of your check. Thank you.

Mark your calendar for CROP WALK September 29. The last Sunday in September is always CROP WALK. Hunter is one of more than twenty Lexington congregations that step off in a fund raising walk that begins at Second Presbyterian Church at 3:00. Last year more than \$25,000 was raised to support Church World Service action against hunger, thirst, disease and the refugee crisis around the world. A quarter of the funds raised stay in Lexington for God's Pantry. Members of the Outreach Committee will be on hand during Coffee Hour in September to register walkers and accept donations in support of CROP WALK.

Want to help with one of Hunter's missions? There is a UK Football Parking Sign-up sheet posted in the kitchen hallway.

This morning the "Alternatives Class" began a year entitled, "Transformations." The class is being led by Carol Hulse with two exceptions (Dr. Cara Richards and Annie Rhoten). We are predominately a discussion group. We use videos and books (quoted and paraphrased) and reading our picks is not a prerequisite. A few line recap starts all classes. We meet in the 2nd floor lounge at 9:30a.m. for fellowship, study begins at 9:45a.m. Everyone is welcomed and free to come as your schedule allows! Some transformation topics this year – in no particular order:

- From Stranger to Community
- Ordinary Selves to Extraordinary Selves
- Transformations in the Bible
- From Atheism to Believer
- Video – From Underdog to Top Dog

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