

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**October 18, 2020**  
*The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost*  
**11:00am**  
*St. John's United Methodist Church*

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Gathering Music Jim Ahrend

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Jim Ahrend

Invocation

Call to Worship

Leader: O come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

Leader: For the LORD is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.

**People: In his hand are the depths of the earth;  
the heights of the mountains are his also.**

The sea is his, for he made it,  
and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

Leader: O come, let us worship and bow down,  
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

**People: For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.**

Hymn “The Church’s One Foundation” UMH 546  
*(See page 5)*

Affirmation of Faith UMH 880

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,**

**God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Celebration Video

Prayer of Confession  
Words of Assurance

Invitation to Give

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You may also mail checks to: St. John's UMC, 2626 Arizona Street NE, 87110*

Offertory Music

**"Be Still"**  
Karen Marrolli

Matthew Greer

Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!  
Praise God, all creatures here below! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose pow'r uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

UMH 94

Offertory Prayer

## "What Gift Can We Bring?"

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## What Gift Can We Bring

*Unison*

1. What gift can we bring, what pres - ent, what to - ken?  
 2. Give thanks for the past, for those who had vi - sion,  
 3. Give thanks for to - mor - row, full of sur - pris - es,  
 4. This gift we now bring, this pres - ent, this to - ken,

What words can con - vey it, the joy of this day?  
 who plant - ed and wa - tered so dreams could come true.  
 for know - ing what - ev - er to - mor - row may bring,  
 these words can con - vey it, the joy of this day!

When grate - ful we come, re - mem - bering, re - joic - ing,  
 Give thanks for the now, for stud - y, for wor - ship,  
 the Word is our prom - ise al - ways, for - ev - er;  
 When grate - ful we come, re - mem - bering, re - joic - ing,

what song can we of - fer in hon - or and praise?  
 for mis - sion that bids us turn prayer in - to deed.  
 we rest in God's keep - ing and live in God's love.  
 this song we now of - fer in hon - or and praise!

WORDS: Jane Marshall, 1980  
 MUSIC: Jane Marshall, 1980

ANNIVERSARY SONG  
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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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 145:1-13, 21  
Psalm 150

Message

“Vital Congregations Worship!”

Rev. Dr. Pam Rowley

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

\*Closing Hymn

“Sent Forth By God’s Blessing”  
(See page 6)

UMH 664

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

Jim Ahrend

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*Worship Leaders:*

*Rev. Dr. Pam Rowley, Rev. Kelly Giese  
Matthew Greer, Jim Ahrend, Shea Perry*

## The Church's One Foundation

The church's one foundation  
is Jesus Christ our Lord;  
we are his new creation  
by water and the Word;  
from heaven he came and sought us  
that we might ever be  
his living servant people,  
by his own death set free.

Called forth from every nation,  
yet one o'er all the earth;  
our charter of salvation:  
one Lord, one faith, one birth.  
One holy name professing  
and at one table fed,  
to one hope always pressing,  
by Christ's own Spirit led.

Though with a scornful wonder  
the world sees us oppressed,  
by schisms rent asunder,  
by heresies distressed,  
yet saints their watch are keeping;  
their cry goes up, "How long?"  
But soon the night of weeping  
shall be the morn of song.

Mid toil and tribulation,  
and tumult of our war,  
we wait the consummation  
of peace forevermore;  
till with the vision glorious  
our longing eyes are blest,  
and the great church victorious  
shall be the church at rest.

We now on earth have union  
with God the Three in One,  
and share through faith communion  
with those whose rest is won.  
Oh, happy ones, and holy!  
Lord, give us grace that we  
like them, the meek and lowly,  
on high may dwell with thee.

*Text: Samuel J. Stone, adapt. Laurence Hull Stookey*

*Tune: AURELIA*

*Unison*

1. Sent forth by God's bless-ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,  
2. With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er liv - ing,

the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.  
the tasks of our ev - ery - day life we will face.

The ser - vice is end - ed, O now be ex - tend - ed  
Our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,

the fruits of our wor - ship in all who be - lieve.  
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren of each tribe and race.

The seed of the teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls reach - ing,  
With your grace you feed us, with your light now lead us;

shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.  
u - nite us as one in this life that we share.

God's grace did in - vite us, and love shall u - nite us  
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing

to work for God's king - dom and an - swer the call.  
give hon - or to Christ and that name which we bear.

*Text: Omer Westendorf*  
*Tune: THE ASH GROVE*