

October 9, 2022

Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

(As the Prelude begins, you are invited to enter a time of prayer and meditation as we prepare to worship God together.)

The Prelude Trust and Obey Daniel B. Thrower

The Introit Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to heal and save;

it triumphed o'er disease and death, o'er darkness and the grave.

and now, O Lord, be near to bless, almighty as of yore,

in crowded street, by restless couch, as by Gennesaret's shore.

The Call to Worship

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you people!

People: With shouts of joy we celebrate the good news of God's love.

Leader: Open your hearts to the warmth of God's redeeming love.

People: God has poured such wonder into our lives!

Leader: Come, let us worship God with hearts and souls and voices!

People: Let our praise ring to the rafters and ascend to the heavens! Amen.

The Hymn No. 265

O Christ, the Healer

ERHALT UNS HERR

- O Christ, the healer, we have come to pray for health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to be restored when reached by love that never ends?
- 2. From every ailment flesh endures our bodies clamor to be freed; yet in our hearts we would confess that wholeness is our deepest need.
- 3. How strong, O Lord, are our desires, how weak our knowledge of ourselves! Release in us those healing truths unconscious pride resists or shelves.
- 4. In conflicts that destroy our health we recognize the world's disease; our common life declares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?
- 5. Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your community may find the wholeness that, enriching us, shall reach the whole of humankind.

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The Opening Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

All: For the healing love you have offered to us;

for the patience you have with us;

for your presence that will never fail,

we give you thanks, O Lord.

Bring our hearts and spirits to you

that we may grow in our faith and service to you by serving others.

We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

The Announcements

The Prayer for Illumination

The Psalter pages 790-791

Psalm 66:8-20

[The first response will be sung by the choir and then by everyone. All other responses will be sung by everyone.]



8 Bless our God, O peoples,

let the sound of God's praise be heard,

- 9 who has kept us among the living,
 - and has not let our feet slip.

10 For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried.

11 You brought us into the net;

you laid affliction on our loins;

12 you let people ride over our heads;

we went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us forth to a spacious place.

Response

13 I will come into your house with burnt offerings;

I will pay you my vows,

14 that which my lips uttered

and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

15 I will offer to you burnt offerings of fatlings, with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;

I will make an offering of bulls and goats.

Response

16 Come and hear, all you who worship God. and I will tell what God has done for me.

17 I cried aloud to God,

who was highly praised with my tongue.

18 If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

19 But truly God has listened,

and has given heed to the voice of my prayer.

20 Blessed be God,

who has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me.

Response

The Gospel Lesson

Luke 17:11-19

The Hymn No. 508

Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom

FOR THE BREAD

- 1. Faith while trees are still in blossom, plans that picking if the fruit; faith can feel the thrill of harvest, when the buds begin to sprout.
- Long before the dawn is breaking, faith anticipates the sun.
 Faith is eager for the day-light, for the work that must be done.
- 3. Long before the rains were coming, Noah went and built an ark. Abraham, the lonely migrant, saw the Light beyond the dark.
- 4. Faith, uplifted, tamed the water of the undivided sea and the people of the Hebrews found the path that made them free.
- 5. Faith, believes that God is faithful, He will be who He will be.Faith accepts His call responding: "I am willing; Lord, Send me."

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The Sermon

Would You Rather Be Healed or Saved?

Dr. Matt Bates

The Offertory Prayer

The Offertory Anthem

Jubilate

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Jubilate, Deo omnis terra, Psalmum dicite nomini ejus, date gloriam laudi ejus. Be joyful in God, all you lands, Sing the glory of his name, Sing the glory of his praise.

The Prayers of the People

The Silent Prayer
The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer No. 895

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 that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Hymn No. 2104

An Outcast among Outcasts

LLANGLOFFAN

- 1. An outcast among outcasts, dismissed with double scorn, belittled by the labels: "unclean" and "foreign born" came back with thanks for Jesus, and then went on his way: An outcast among outcasts showed grateful faith that day.
- 2. An outcast among outcasts, where three were crucified, derided by the others as they hung side by side came back from death with power, God had the final say: An outcast among outcasts shows God to us today.
- 3. For outcasts among outcasts the boundaries are redrawn, by words, "Your faith has saved you," by cross and Easter dawn. The distant longed-for centers of power, peace and care, where life is free to flourish, are found now everywhere.

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The Benediction

The Choral Response

Be thou our great deliverer still, thou Lord of life and death; restore and quicken, soothe and bless, with thine almighty breath: to hands that work and eyes that see, give wisdom's heavenly lore, that whole and sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee evermore.

The Postlude

O Christ, the Healer

Johann Pachelbel

The altar flowers this morning are given in loving memory of John Mingus by his family.

Reminder! Help us know that you worshiped with us this morning by signing the online attendance pad <u>here</u>.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped us this morning and throughout the week to make this worship possible.

Scriptures

Luke 17:11-19

Jesus Cleanses Ten Men with a Skin Disease

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? ¹⁸ Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Welcome!

Centenary United Methodist Church is a Reconciling Congregation, extending hospitality and encouraging full participation of all, regardless of age, race, national origin, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, marital status, education, economic background, and physical or mental ability.

We are glad that you have joined us today! If you are a new guest, we hope that you experience a warm welcome! Please return soon and consider us for your church home. If you are interested in church membership, please speak with a pastor.

Announcements

CHILI COOK-OFF – Bring the heat! Sunday, October 23 at Noon. All chilis AND cornbreads welcome! Stay for lunch and a "halftime" showing of "Facing the Giants". Wear your favorite jersey to church! Sign up online or downstairs. Questions? katehundley5@gmail.com or mollymonaghan1839@gmail.com.

JOIN US TO VIEW *THE CHOSEN* – Join us Sunday mornings, following our worship service, as we will gather in the social hall to watch *The Chosen*. *The Chosen* is a multi-season television portrayal of the life of Jesus. Come grab a cup of coffee, perhaps even bring a friend, and join us for fellowship, inspiration, and learning!

Upcoming Events

THIS WEEK

October 9	11:30 am	Pastor Appreciation Sunday The Chosen - Social Hall	
October 10	5:00 pm	Change the World/RVA	
October 11	Noon 7:00 pm	AA Church Council Meeting	
October 12	10:00 am 7:15 pm	Wednesday Bible Study Choir Rehearsal	
October 14	10:30 am Noon	Friday Lunch Program AA	
October 16	10:30 am 11:30 am	In-person and Livestream Worship <i>The Chosen</i> - Social Hall	

LOOKING AHEAD

October 18	7:00 pm	Charge Conference at Reve	ille UMC
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October 23 Noon Chili Cook Off