

The United Church of Mapleton
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Order of Worship

Sunday, August 13, 2017

Our Mission:

The United Church of Mapleton is a Christian fellowship of mission, worship, and faith formation dedicated to the Maple River community.

*The * symbolizes an invitation to rise in body or spirit.*

If you are a visitor today, please fill out the welcome card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate later in the service so that we can get to know each other!

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements & Opening Prayer

***Gathering Song** *Every Time I Hear the Spirit* (vs 1) **NCH #742**

***Call to Worship** (*Psalm 9:1-10*)

One: I will praise You, O Lord, with all my heart.

All: I will tell of all Your wonders.

One: I will be glad and rejoice in You.

All: I will sing praise to Your name, O most high.

One: My enemies turn back; they stumble and perish before You.

All: You have upheld my right and my cause.

One: You have sat on Your throne, judging righteously; You have rebuked the nations and destroyed the wicked.

All: You have blotted out their name forever and ever.

One: Endless ruin has over taken the enemy. You have uprooted their cities, even the memory of them has perished.

All: The Lord reigns forever! He has established His throne for judgment.

One: He will judge the world in righteousness. (*continue pg. 2*)

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A Silent Meditation

When we leave God out of our reckoning,

difficulties will daunt us,

Temptations will triumph over us,

Sin will seduce us,

Self will sway us,

The world will warp us

Seeming impossibilities will irritate us,

Unbelief will undermine our faith,

Christian work will worry us,

Fear will frighten us,

And all things will wear a somber hue

But when God is recognized as the one who undertakes for us

Then difficulties are opportunities to trust God,

Temptations are the harbingers of victory,

Sin has no attraction,

Self is denied, unbelief is ignored,

Service is a delight

Contentedness sings in the heart

And all things are possible.!



In Our Prayers This Week

Members living in Care Facilities:

- Kathy Cramer, Alberta Samuelson

Prayers and Thanksgiving:

- For healing of hearts and body for all my family. Keep them safe in all they do.



The United Church Announcements

Church World Service Kits & National UCC Initiative School Supply Collection

There continues to be a need of kits for distribution at disaster sites here in MN, our country and around the world.

School Supply Kit shopping lists of items needed are available in the narthex. You can help address this need by picking up a list, going shopping, and dropping the items **back to the church by August 20th**. You may also help by contributing cash donations so we can purchase items to fill out kits and to cover shipping costs.

Thank you for caring and for your efforts!



Reminder!

Everyone, please return your **Congregational Survey and Style Indicator paperwork** to the church office **by August 15th**. This will greatly help our Search Committee in their work for the United Church. Thank you!

All: He will govern the people with justice.

One: The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed; a stronghold in times of trouble.

All: Those who know Your name will trust in You, for You, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you.

*Opening Song *I Love You Lord (2 times)* **W&R #85**

Offering Our Gifts

*Singing Our Praise to God TUNE: Old Hundreth
(Note the change in words here)

*From all who dwell beneath the skies,
Let the Creator's praise arise!*

*Let the Redeemer's name be sung
Through every land, by every tongue! Amen.*

*Sharing Our Grace and Peace With Each Other

*Blessing Our Gifts

All: We are the receivers, receivers of love, receivers of grace, receivers of Jesus. We are the giver, following God's call, following Jesus's example, following our hearts. Lord, we give these offerings for the work of Your kingdom with humble thanks for all that we have received.

Message and Faith Stories:

Faith Story & Reflections Upon It *Judges 7:1– 8:35*

Song *Your Servant Comes This Hour* **W&R #566**

Faith Story & Reflections

Song *Take My Life (verses 1,3, &4)* **W&R #466**

Faith Story & Reflections

Song *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (vs. 1, 2)* **W&R #261**

Faith Story & Reflections

Song *Jesus Calls Us* **W&R #341**

Prayers of the People

Response after each prayer, **"Hear Our Prayer, O God."**

The Prayer Jesus Taught Us

Our Father, who is in heaven, holy is your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

*Closing Song *God Be With You* **W&R #716**

*A Blessing

*Sung Response

We Are Marching in the Light of Christ **NCH #526**

*We are march-ing in the light of Christ,
we are march-ing in the light of Christ. (2X's)*

*We are march-ing, Oo, we are march-ing in the light of Christ.
(2X's)*

*Music for Going Forth

*Please be mindful of others who continue to worship
through the Postlude.*

Today's Worship & Fellowship Leaders

Intentional Interim Pastor: *Rev. Cindy Mueller*

Supply Pulpit: *Rev. Penny Ritter*

Lay Reader: *Karen Stanton*

Hospitality Team: *David and Roberta Ward*

Organist: *Jola Walker*

Sound System: *Gary Fritz*

Coffee Fellowship Donations: *Women's Fellowship*

The United Church Calendar For this Week

Tues., Wed., & Thurs. 8 a.m.—Noon—church office hours

TODAY **9:30 am Worship**
9:30—10:30 am Sunday Bible Camp for
ages 5-10 yr. olds

Mon., 8/14 **7:00 pm—Women's Fellowship**

Tues., 8/15 6:30 am—Men's Breakfast in Good Thunder
7:00 pm—Congregational Relations Mtg.

Wed., 8/16 **7:00 pm—Church Council**

Sun., 8/20 **9:30 am Worship**
9:30—10:30 am Sunday Bible Camp for
ages 5-10 yr. olds

Next Week's (8/20) Worship Leaders

Intentional Interim Minister: *Rev. Cindy Mueller*

Lay Reader: *Ginny Kinzie*

Hospitality Team: *Ron Conrad*

Organist: *Ann DeWitz*

Sound System: *Gary Fritz*

Power Point: *Kathy Cox*

Coffee Fellowship Donations: *Youth Center*

If you have a Pastoral Emergency or Need

You can contact Pastor Cindy Mueller at
pastor@unitedchurchmapleton.org

She returns from her vacation later tomorrow.