

**The United Church of Mapleton**  
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### Order of Worship

Sunday, October 15, 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

\***Gathering Music** *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness* #326  
(verse 4 only)      **Words projected**

#### REFRAIN

**Spir-it, Spir-it of gen-tle-ness,  
blow through the wil-der-ness call-ing and free;  
Spir-it, Spir-it of rest-less-ness stir me from plac-id-ness,  
wind, wind on the sea.**

**Vs. 4**

You call from to-mor-row, you break an-cient schemes.  
From the bond-age of sor-row all the cap-tives dream dreams;  
Our wom-en see vi-sions, our men clear their eyes.

With bold new de-ci-sions your peo-ple a-rise.      **REFRAIN**

#### \*Call to Worship

One: We are a people on a journey.

**All: Gathering wisdom from our experience.**

One: Seeking to be renewed by the gifts of God's spirit.

**All: Being empowered by belonging to a nurturing community of faith.**

One: Growing in discipleship that is guided by the life of Christ.

**All: Come, let our songs, prayers, and thoughts be attuned to the presence of God, who is the power of new life.**

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# thank you

Thank you to all who has been so generous with their time and helped with the moving of boxes, tables, chairs, the hauling out of damaged items, bringing in wet vacuums, taking off base board, etc., after the recent water issue in the church basement. There is still work to be done, but we hope to have all resolved in the near future.

### Special Offering Received This Month

Neighbors in Need (UCC) and World Mission (ABC) special offering will be received during the month of October. The money received will be divided evenly between our two denominations.



### Garden of Eatin' total to date:

108.3 pounds



### Trunk or Treat Event

Saturday, October 28th from 11:00 am—1:00 pm in the parking lot between St. John's and

St. Teresa's churches. Families and businesses are welcome to decorate your car trunks for a safe and fun kids trick or treat event.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Chrissy at (507) 380-3075. (Please no violent displays)

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## The United Church Calendar For this Week

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

**TODAY 9:30 am—Worship w/Faith Formation for Children  
& Receiving a Special Offering**

*Mon., 10/16 10:00 am—2:00 pm Cindy's Office Hours*

*Tues., 10/17 6:30 am—Men's Breakfast in Good Thunder  
10:00 am—2:00 pm Cindy's Office Hours  
1:00 pm—Quilters Group*

*Wed., 10/18 9:30 am—12:30 pm Cindy's Office Hours  
11:00 am—Bible Study in Overflow Room  
2:00 am—3:00 pm Cindy's Office Hours  
3:00 pm—Congregational Relations Mtg. CRC  
7:00 pm—Council Mtg.*

*Thurs., 10/19 7:30 pm—Bible & Brew at Maggie J's*

*Sat., 10/21 9:30 am—Mapleton Kilties*

***Sun., 10/22 9:30 am—Worship w/Faith Formation for Children  
& Receiving a Special Offering  
10:30 am—Holy Conversation:  
Part II: What Can We Expect of a Pastor?***

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## Next Week's (10/22) Worship Leaders

**Intentional Interim Minister:** *Rev. Cindy Mueller*

**Lay Reader:** *Pam Foster*

**Hospitality Team:** *Stan & Linda Whitney*

**Organist:** *Kathy Byram*

**Sound System:** *Chad Kunkel*

**PowerPoint:** *Konnor McCutchen*

**Coffee Fellowship Donations:** *OPEN*

**Mission Jar:** *Loaves & Fishes Food Shelf*

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## \*Extending the Hand of Christian Fellowship

### A Stewardship Moment

Hugo & Pat Johns

**\*Song** *You Call Us, Lord, to Worship* (vs. 2 & 3 only) **Words Projected**  
TUNE: *(The Day of Resurrection)*

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*We are forgiven people; we know your love's embrace.  
The peace of Christ is with us; forgiveness fills this place.  
We hear your word in scripture, in sermon and in song.  
Again, again, you tell us: we're loved and we belong.*

*We share our joys and sorrows and then we offer prayer  
For people who are hurting, for nations everywhere.  
We bring our tithes and offerings, returning what is yours,  
For what we keep may vanish, but what we give endures.*

### Offering Our Gifts

*For the earth is our God's, and everything in it. I Corinthians 10:26*

### \*Singing Our Praise to God

TUNE: Old Hundredth

*God of our lives whose call comes clear  
Through Jesus Christ, your presence near,  
By Spirit led, your will we heed,  
Your grace to show in word and deed. Amen.*

### \*Blessing Our Gifts

***All: What an abundance of gifts we have to offer: musical talent, the melody of laughter, the use of our hands in cooking and repairs, the use of our minds in problem solving, curiosity, compassion, patience, urgency, spiritual reservoirs, financial resources, obedience and courage to act. All these gifts, and others which bear our personal marks, are symbolized in our offering for the work of the church. Let us commit ourselves in service as we worship God with our offerings. Amen.***

### Faith Forming Moment for All Ages

*Children are dismissed to their faith formation classes  
for the remainder of the service after this faith forming moment.*

**\*Song** *We Praise You, O God* Words are Projected

TUNE: Kremer (We Gather Together #81) CCLI# 1116420

*We praise you, O God, our Re-deem-er, Cre-a-tor;  
In grate-ful de-vo-tion our trib-ute we bring  
We lay it be-fore you, we kneel and a-dore you;  
we bless your ho-ly name, glad prais-es we sing.*

*We wor-ship you, God of our moth-ers and fa-thers;  
through life's storm and tem-pest our guide you have been.  
When per-ils o'er-take us, you nev-er will for-sake us,  
with your help, O God, in life's strug-gles we win.*

*With voic-es u-nit-ed our prais-es we of-fer,  
and glad-ly our song of thanks-giv-ing we raise.  
Our sins now con-fess-ing, we pray for your bless-ing;  
to you, our great Re-deem-er, for-ev-er be praise!*

**Faith Story** *Matthew 22:15-22*

**Message**

**Prayers of the People**

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

**The Prayer Jesus Taught**

*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, the power and  
the glory, forever. Amen.*

**\*Song** *Rejoice, the Lord is King!* **#342**

**Words are Projected**

**\*Blessing**

**\*Sung Response** *Halleluja (sung 2x)* Words are Projected

CCLI# 11164320

**\*Music for Going Forth**

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

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## **Today's Worship & Fellowship Leaders**

**Intentional Interim Minister:** *Rev. Cindy Mueller*

**Lay Reader:** *Louise Webb*

**Hospitality Team:** *Louisabelle Shuck*

**Organist:** *Ann DeWitz*

**Sound System:** *Chad Kunkel*

**PowerPoint:** *Kathy Cox*

**Coffee Fellowship Donations:** *Youth Center*

**Mission Jar:** *Loaves & Fishes Food Shelf*

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## **In Our Prayers This Week**

### **Members living in Care Facilities:**

- *Kathy Cramer, Alberta Samuelson Jack Madsen & Marge Walters*

### **Prayers:**

- For Gordon Maue who is in the nursing home now
- To God for loving and healing my family after their loss
- Thanks to God for the 30 years of service and teaching of God's word to us and others. Pastor Cindy is in our and Your love
- For my teenage grandson, Ben, who is struggling with life, and especially with his physiological challenges
- Victims and families in Los Vegas
- Lorraine Stanton who is back in the hospital
- Thanks to God for the faithfulness and stepping forward of the "workers and restorers" yesterday here at the church

The prayers and sympathies of The United Church of Mapleton are extended to the family and friends of **Lorraine Stanton**, longtime United Church member, who passed October 11th, 2017. A Celebration of Life was held at the United Church yesterday Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 2:00 pm.

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## **If you have a Pastoral Emergency or Need**

Contact Pastor Cindy Mueller at:  
[pastor@unitedchurchmapleton.org](mailto:pastor@unitedchurchmapleton.org)

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