



PENTECOST XX
10.11.2026

Resonances

Announcements

Community

- Parents of littles – play together, parents hang out – let us know if you want to be on the text chain
- Craft Day – 10am – 12pm on October 17
- Music on the Square – Oct 23 at 7:30 – Brittany and Natalie Haas
- October 24 – Lantern Parade?
- Halloween Tots Parade 5:30-6:30 on October 30th
- 20's and 30's – Nov 1 after church

Service

- Neighbor to Neighbor – October 29 at 11am – lunch together
- Neighbor to Neighbor – would you like to sponsor a family/small repairs team
- Next Sandwich night - Turkey Sandwich Night Nov 18

Spiritual Practices

- Morning prayer – Thursdays at 8am
- Oct 28 – Nov 18 – Matthew Bible Study 7:30-8:30pm in person at CotS

Greeting & Orientation – Amy Sens

"I love rules and I love following them, unless that rule is stupid."

— Anna Kendrick, *Scrappy Little Nobody*

Song – Are You Gonna Go My Way? – Lenny Kravitz – The Band

I was born long ago
I am the chosen, I'm the one
I have come to save the day
And I won't leave until I'm done
So that's why you've got to try
You got to breath and have some fun
Though I'm not paid, I play this game
And I won't stop until I'm done

But what I really want to know is
Are you gonna go my way?
And I got to, got to know

I don't know why we always cry
This we must leave and get undone
We must engage and rearrange
And turn this planet back to one
So tell me why we got to die
And kill each other one by one?
We've got to hug and rub-a-dub
We've got to dance and be in love

But what I really want to know is
Are you gonna go my way?
And I got to, got to know

Are you gonna go my way?
'Cause baby I got to know, yeah

Welcome – Becky Wright

Children’s Message – Rachel Cooley Shawler

God be in my head
God be in my words

God be in my heart
God be in my hands
God be in my whole self

Passing of the Peace

Reading One – How to be a Poet by Wendell Berry

(to remind myself)

i

Make a place to sit down.
Sit down. Be quiet.
You must depend upon
affection, reading, knowledge,
skill—more of each
than you have—inspiration,
work, growing older, patience,
for patience joins time
to eternity. Any readers
who like your poems,
doubt their judgment.

ii

Breathe with unconditional breath
the unconditioned air.
Shun electric wire.
Communicate slowly. Live
a three-dimensioned life;
stay away from screens.
Stay away from anything
that obscures the place it is in.
There are no unsacred places;
there are only sacred places
and desecrated places.

Accept what comes from silence.
Make the best you can of it.
Of the little words that come
out of the silence, like prayers
prayed back to the one who prays,
make a poem that does not disturb
the silence from which it came.

Psalm 119:1-8 – Steady Me – The Band

Refrain:

Steady me, hold me closely
I will keep your commands.

Happy the blameless,
who keep the Lord's decrees,
walking the path of the law,
seeking God with all their heart.

They never choose evil
but follow God's way.
Lord, you charge us
to cherish your law.

Refrain

Steady me,
that I may keep your commands.
Then, without shame,
I can reflect on your ways.

I truly sing your praise,
when I learn your justice.
Hold me closely,
I shall keep your commands.

Refrain

Prayers of the People – Jim Hamilton

Song – More Light and More Truth Left – Amy Sens/Traditional - The Band

1 The limits of just one perspective
Or even a whole culture's worth
Can never encompass the beauty
Or the greatness of all of God's work

Our God has more light and more truth left
To break forth from that good holy Word
More meanings, more insights, more mysteries.
There is wisdom that's yet to be learned.

**2 The church in each new generation
Has to find out again for itself
How the gospel is bringing salvation,
How God's Spirit breaks in with new life**

**Our God has more light and more truth left
To break forth from that good holy Word
More meanings, more insights, more mysteries.
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**3 As we walk with Christ Jesus beside us,
Toward the future that God's love intends,
We can trust in the still speaking Spirit
To shed light for our time yet again**

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Reading Two: Exodus 19:3-7, 20:1-17 (CEB) – Jim Hamilton

...Moses went up to God. The Lord called to him from the mountain, "This is what you should say to Jacob's household and declare to the Israelites: You saw what I did to the Egyptians, and how I lifted you up on eagles' wings and brought you to me. So now, if you faithfully obey me and stay true to my covenant, you will be my most precious possession out of all the peoples, since the whole earth belongs to me. You will be a kingdom of priests for me and a holy nation. These are the words you should say to the Israelites."

So Moses came down, called together the people's elders, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him.

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

You must have no other gods before me.

Do not make an idol for yourself—no form whatsoever—of anything in the sky above or on the earth below or in the waters under the earth. Do not bow down to them or worship them, because I, the Lord your God, am a passionate God. I punish children for their parents' sins even to the third and fourth generations of those who hate me. But I am loyal and gracious to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

Do not use the Lord your God's name as if it were of no significance; the Lord won't forgive anyone who uses his name that way.

Remember the Sabbath day and treat it as holy. Six days you may work and do all your tasks, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. Do not do any work on it—not you, your sons or daughters, your male or female servants, your animals, or the immigrant who is living with you. Because the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and everything that is in them in six days, but rested on the seventh day. That is why the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

Honor your father and your mother so that your life will be long on the fertile land that the Lord your God is giving you.

Do not kill.

Do not commit adultery.

Do not steal.

Do not testify falsely against your neighbor.

Do not desire and try to take your neighbor's house. Do not desire and try to take your neighbor's wife, male or female servant, ox, donkey, or anything else that belongs to your neighbor.

Reading Three: Matthew 5:17

[Jesus said,] "Don't even begin to think that I have come to do away with the Law and the Prophets. I haven't come to do away with them but to fulfill them."

Song – Open Our Hearts – Chris Shelton/Sally Ann Morris – The Band

Open our hearts to your Way
Open our hearts to your Truth
Open our hearts to your Life
Open our hearts to you.

Sermon – Rev. Amy Sens

Celebration and Offering

Sandwich Night

Song – Oh the Ancient Commonsense of Things – Bishop Allan – The Band

There are those who understand
That long before this all began
A hammer hit the nail with great sympathy

A clothespin hanging on the line
The cork that bottles up your wine
Strings that bowed in concert, make a symphony

And oh oh, the ancient commonsense of things
And oh oh, the ancient commonsense of things

There are those who know to look
Through all the crannies and the nooks
When I found you dear, what it meant to me

Book to shelf, and foot to shoe
And likewise I belong to you
My heart is pounding loud, just like a timpani

And oh oh, the ancient commonsense of things
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And oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh...
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Eucharist & Post Communion Prayer – James Hamilton

All are welcome at the Eucharistic table. If you do not wish to participate, feel free to take this time for meditation or personal reflection.

Prayer and Blessing – James Hamilton

Song – I Like to Hear ‘Em Preach It – Jimmy Martin - The Band

I like to hear ‘em preaching, I like to hear ‘em pray
I like to hear ‘em talk about the good ol’ gospel way
They read it from the bible and they all began to shout
And I’m convinced that’s one thing that we can’t live without

I was a nonbeliever I didn’t believe in God
I was always sinning and upon this earth I trod
Since I’m bound in sinners I’m not alone
Salvation is the only way that we can get home

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I sit way back in the church and I bow my head
And when they start to praying I do just as they bid
Well I never even close my eyes when I listen to their prayers
And since that time I found out God is everywhere

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Dismissal – Jim Hamilton
