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SUNDAY, SEPT 11

WELCOME BACK & STAFF SUNDAY!

The Sunday following Labor Day Sunday will serve as a formal welcome Sunday – Just as the "school year" used to begin officially the Tuesday after Labor Day, the church year sort of begins then, too.

If you are a longstanding member or friend of the church please be on hand to welcome our new folks that day. Please make it a priority to be there. Members of our staff will be sharing their talents and/or a word or two about themselves during the service. The sermon will be shorter and we will look to celebrating the great staff we have assembled. Let's kick this year off right.



Sunday, August 28, 2022 AN INCLUSIVE, WELCOMING COMMUNITY OF CHRISTIAN FAITH. OUR MISSION IS TO MANIFEST CHRIST'S LOVE IN THE WORLD.

Today: Jesus's Tips On Table Etiquette



HOW MANY OF THESE CAN YOU NAME?

PRELUDE

All Creatures of Our God and King arr. Shackley

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Children's Craft Fair after services!
- Please help keep the kitchen clean
- Water to Wine September 11
- Please sign friendship pads

CENTERING & LIGHTING CANDLES

Lay Reader: Sue Warninghoff Choir Director: Steven Schaefer

Pianist: Kenn Willson

Flowers:

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

Hebrews 13:2

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that, some have entertained angels without even knowing it.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Eliza Buchakjian-Tweedy

Creator God, you call us to hospitality; to give as generously to others as you have given to us.

For there may be angels among us, who knows?

Loving God, you call us to give you glory in the compassion we show to one another. To love without judgment, of ourselves or of others.

We gather as one Body, seeking to walk in the way you have set for us.

We gather as one Body,

to worship the one who is Love.

OPENING HYMN

The God of Abraham Praise #49 all verses

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children and Youth are dismissed.

GREEK TESTAMENT READING

Luke 14:1, 7-14

One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched. When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table, he told them this parable: "When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, 'Give this person your seat.' Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, 'Friend, move up to a better place.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all the other guests. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

THEME READING

Henri J.M. Nouwen Reaching Out: The Three Movements of the Spiritual Life

Hospitality means primarily the creation of free space where the stranger can enter and become a friend instead of an enemy. Hospitality is not to change people, but to offer them space where change can take place. It is not to bring men and women over to our side, but to offer freedom not disturbed by dividing lines.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Christians, We Have Met to Worship Sandy Ruff - Flute Michael Hawkins - Piano Tune: Holy Manna Arranged by Brant Adams

SERMON

Jesus's Tips On Table Etiquette Rev. Scott Dalgarno

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Here in this Place #401 all verses

CORPORATE PRAYER

from the New Zealand Book of Prayer

Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
May the hallowing of your name echo
through the universe;

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world;

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings;

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trial too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen

OFFERTORY

I Must Tell Jesus arr. Shackley

Through all our living, we our fruits must give.

Good works of service are for offering. When we are giving, or when receiving, We belong to God.

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CLOSING HYMN

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant? #727 verses 1, 2, 3, 4

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Revive Us Again arr. Shackley

FELLOWSHIP