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Invitation to Innovate!

Creating Sacred Community Online

(Buttons for Zoom and Facebook can take you to our Sunday services
from the church webpage at www.cpcwaco.org)

Sunday Morning - Click [HERE](#) (a link to our Zoom services on Sunday)

Please remember **Caritas Food Ministries** this first Sunday of the month.

There is a black bin under the portico of the AC for non-perishable food donations.

9:10 AM Gathering/Fellowship

9:35 ish Adult Sunday School

Genesis Class is studying from the Letter to the Romans with Rev. Rodgers on Zoom.

The Men's Class studies from the lectionary with Elder Bryngelson, meeting this Sunday in the Memorial Garden. (Masks, distancing, and remaining outdoors will be observed).

10:30 AM Gathering and Prayer

10:40 AM Worship in the same zoom space ([link](#)), though we will also go [live on Facebook](#)

(that's a link to our Sunday Worship at 10:45. A recording will remain posted for viewing "on demand" later). Please leave a greeting in the comments section and invite others to join us on Zoom and/or Facebook (you can also call in by phone starting as early as 9:10 for Sunday school).

Order of Worship for this Sunday, September 20, is at the bottom of this email.

Sermon Notes

Prayer Requests

- for Denyse's father Frank, as he continues treatment for lymphoma (you can get updates on his care and condition here: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/frankseaman>);
- for Allison's mother Michelle, also being treated for cancer;
- for Les (who recently got good news--a smaller tumor) and also for Joyce (being treated for a-fib)
- for Bill Carson, for Carl and Billie Kathryn, Pat and Don , and for all who are isolated at home;
- for Courtney, a young mother (with a two year old) recently diagnosed with Stage 3 Ovarian Cancer;
- for Victor's mother to sense comfort and peace surrounding her at Wesley Woods;
- for Latisha, who was again taken to the ER for seizure-like activity this week;
- for Vicki and Bruce, who are each recuperating at home from recent surgeries;
- for the first week of in-person schools, and for all educators, students and families this school year;
- for cities and nations who suffer from natural or social disasters;
- for everyone born, a place at the table!

Celebrating Birthdays

Sara Alexander - September 17

Randy Castillo - September 26

Judith March Hardie - September 28

Morgan Williams - September 29

Nancy Jackson - September 30

(We are missing many birthdays in our database; please let us know yours!
We need the year to enter the date in the database, but will never print it!)



Order of Worship September 20

Call to Worship

God has set this day before us,

A day set apart, a day of rest and praise.

God has set our lives before us,

A span of years in which we love, and learn, and serve.

God has set God's seal upon our hearts,

So that we might live fully in deep love.

Let us worship God.

Hymn # 473 For the Beauty of the Earth

*For the beauty of the earth, For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies,
Lord of all, to These we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For the wonder of each hour Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, Sun and moon, and stars of light,
Lord of all, to These we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony, Linking sense to sound and sight,
Lord of all, to These we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For the joy of human love, Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above, For all gentle thoughts and mild,
Lord of all, to These we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For thy church that evermore Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore Her pure sacrifice of love,
Lord of all, to These we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.*

Opening Prayer.

Welcoming God, you receive and bless all who come to you in humility. Show us our false pride, that we may repent of all conceit and arrogance and, caring for one another, may honor Jesus to the glory of your name. Amen.

Psalm 145:1-8

Hymn # 429 Lord, You Give the Great Commission

*Lord, you give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the church neglect its mission, And the gospel go unheard,
Help us witness to your purpose With renewed integrity;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry.*

*Lord, you call us to your service: "In my name baptize and teach."
That the world may trust your promise, Life abundant meant for each,
Give us all new fervor, draw us Closer in community;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry.*

*Lord, you make the common holy: "This my body, this my blood."
Let us all, for earth's true glory, Daily lift life heavenward,
Asking that the world around us Share your children's liberty;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry.*

*Lord, you show us love's true measure: "Father, what they do, forgive."
Yet we hoard as private treasure All that you so freely give.
May your care and mercy lead us To a just society;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry.*

*Lord, you bless with words assuring: "I am with you to the end."
Faith and hope and love restoring, May we serve as you intend,
And amid the cares that claim us, Hold in mind eternity;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry.*

Prayer of Confession

All is not well, Holy God. Your children die of preventable diseases while we pop an aspirin for the

slightest ache. Your children live in abject poverty, while others bask in palaces of gold. Your children cry out, and we turn up the volumes so we can't hear them.
All is not well. We tear each other down. We abuse your gift of the earth. We fill our minds with frivolous things, and allow our hearts to stay blank.
All is not well, so forgive us for our part in the misery of the world. Forgive us for the ways in which we turn from you.
Heal your world, and heal us, that we might go out and be people of salvation, not of destruction.
Through Christ, who makes all things new, who makes all things well, we pray. Amen.

Children's Message
Matthew 20:1-16
Sermon
Offering/Offertory

Hymn # 407 When a Poor One

*When a poor one who has nothing shares with strangers,
When the thirsty water give unto us all,
When the crippled in their weakness strengthen others,
Then we know that God still goes that road with us.
Then we know that God still goes that road with us.*

*When at last all those who suffer find their comfort,
When they hope though even hope seems hopeless,
When we love though hate at times seems all around us,
Then we know that God still goes that road with us.
Then we know that God still goes that road with us.*

*When our joy fills up our cup to overflowing,
When our lips can speak no words other than true,
When we know that love for simple things is better,
Then we know that God still goes that road with us.
Then we know that God still goes that road with us.*

*When our homes are filled with goodness in abundance,
When we learn how to make peace instead of war,
When each stranger that we meet is called a neighbor,
Then we know that God still goes that road with us.
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