



January 13, 2021

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Invitation to Inreach (Fellowship/Care)!



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This Week: *Sanctuary Music*

Wednesday Morning Conversations and Prayers

ON ZOOM ONLY!!

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8-9:15am

Invitation to Upreach!

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

9:10 AM Gathering/Fellowship

9:35 Genesis Class meets on Zoom; Check with Matt/Jay to see where the Men's Class will meet

10:25 Fellowship, Gathering of Joys and Concerns

10:40 AM Prayer and Worship

Watch live from [Zoom](#) Or [Facebook](#)

(Links above will open our Zoom Tabernacle or the Facebook recording)

Order of Worship--January 17, 2021

Call to Worship and Opening Prayer (Pastor Judith)

God, you call each of us to serve you, and we respond,

"Here I am, Lord!"

Jesus, you call each of us to follow you, and we respond,

"Here I am, Lord!"

Holy Spirit, you call each of us to worship you this day, and we respond,

"Here I am, Lord!"

God's voice rising above all the shouts and noise of the world, Christ's invitation tugging deeply in our hearts, and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit all beckon us to come and worship. Let us pray:

Open our ears, O God, that we might hear your Word still speaking.

Open our minds, O Christ, to understand your promises.

Open our hearts, O Spirit, to experience this encounter from deep within the love you offer. Amen.

1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20) (Pastor Judith)

Hymn # 525 "Here I Am, Lord" HERE I AM

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry, All who dwell in deepest sin My hand will save.

***I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?
Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.***

***I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne My people's pain, I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.***

***I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them, My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide Till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?
Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.***

Prayer of Confession (Rev. Rodgers)

**Holy God, you see into each of us
and know us fully as creatures in need of your constant care.
We confess that we have neither heard your word
nor followed your will.**

**We have failed our nation, neighbors, families, friends,
and ourselves.**

(silent prayer)

**Give us ears to hear your wisdom.
Lead us to honesty and faith
so that we may begin again with renewed strength;
in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18 (Denyse Rodgers)

Time with Young Disciples (Pastor Judith)

Hymn # 434 "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples" KINGSFOLD

***Today we all are called to be Disciples of the Lord,
To help to set the captive free, make plowshare out of sword,
To feed the hungry, quench their thirst, make love and peace our fast,
To serve the poor and homeless first, our ease and comfort last.***

***God made the world and at its birth ordained our human race
To live as stewards of the earth, responding to God's grace.
But we are vain and sadly proud, we sow not peace but strife,
Our discord spreads a deadly cloud that threatens all of life.***

***Pray justice may come rolling down as in a mighty stream,
With righteousness in field and town to cleanse us and redeem.
For God is longing to restore an earth where conflicts cease,
A world that was created for a harmony of peace.***

***May we in service to our God act out the living Word,
And walk the road the saints have trod till all have seen and heard.
As stewards of the earth may we give thanks in one accord
To God who call us all to be Disciples of the Lord.***

John 1:35-51 (Rev. Rodgers)

Sermon (Rev. Rodgers, focusing on discipleship and connecting in the Body of Christ)

Affirmation of Faith (Excerpts from A Brief Statement of Faith, 1990) (Pastor Judith)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

**Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives.**

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

**In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image
to live as one community.**

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.**

**With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God
in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (Pastor Judith)

Call to Offering (Rev. Rodgers)

Offertory

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication (Pastor Judith)

Hymn # 343 "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" BEECHER

***Called as partners in Christ's service, Called to ministries of grace,
We respond with deep commitment Fresh new lines of faith to trace.
May we learn the art of sharing, Side by side and friend with friend,
Equal partners in our caring To fulfill God's chosen end.***

***Christ's example, Christ's inspiring, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
Let us follow, never faltering, Reconciling folk on earth.
Men and women, richer, poorer, All God's people, young and old,
Blending human skills together Gracious gifts from God unfold.***

***Thus new patterns for Christ's mission, In a small or global sense,
Help us bear each other's burdens, Breaking down each wall or fence.
Words of comfort, words of vision, Words of challenge, said with care,
Bring new power and strength for action, Make us colleagues, free and fair.***

***So God grant us for tomorrow Ways to order human life
That surround each person's sorrow With a calm that conquers strife.
Make us partners in our living, Our compassion to increase,
Messengers of faith, thus giving Hope and confidence and peace.***

Benediction

Prayer Concerns

- for comfort and healing for the Riley's niece, Luna, and the Bierwirth's cousin, Libby, as they struggle with Cancer;
- for continued healing and rehab for David J, Frank, Nancy C, Willis and Martha;
- for those struggling with addictions of any kind, and those who love them;
- for a friend's husband Bob who has just been diagnosed with a cancer on top of his heart condition;
- for those struggling with or recovering from Covid (especially Alicia Martinez and Pastor Judith's family);
- for our nations deep divisions and deeper principals and convictions;
- for our meal deliveries, deliverers, and other visiting angels of God among us;
- for all our members, friends and family to stay safe, healthy and connected;
- for everyone born, a place at the table!



Celebrating Birthdays

Meghan Franks - January 15
David Fleuriet - January 17
Phil Oliver - January 17
Nancy Cagle - January 18
Wren Williams - January 18
Anne Stewart - January 18
Gwynn Range - January 19
Margaret Pauling - January 20
Rita Smotherman - January 28



**(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!)**

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