



Hamantaschen are traditional for the Festival of Purim:
*“days of feasting and gladness,
days for sending gifts of food to one another
and presents to the poor.”*
Read Esther cc 7-9



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On YouTube this Week -

Sunday Worship 1 – Prayer and Praise

Sunday Worship 2 - Lectionary / Scripture Lessons for the week.

Sunday Worship 3 - Sermon - 11:00 am (**Studio Recording**)

*Until we can get better video and sound recording at the church, reliably,
this is how we will do it.*

Also Links to "Anthem" selection suggestion from Cathy.

All previous videos remain available for viewing, in other play lists.

Including many Hymn Videos, for possible use at home, in small groups, etc.

Then at **1:00pm** we will gather via Zoom.

(We had gathered at 11:00, but travel to and from the church facilities makes the later time better)

September 26, 2021

WORSHIP I

Early Sunday Morning Video

PRAYERS & PRAISE

Times of your choosing for Small Group / In Home

PRELUDE

Psalm 124

Children of the Heavenly Father

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FOR IN PERSON MEETINGS

Pick some music to have playing in the background as your group gathers.

You may want to use Cathy's Suggestion. Or You may have cds or dvds.

OR If you prefer, there are a number of YouTube recordings on our parish channel.

SUGGESTED ANTHEM

Dear Church Family, The anthem I have chosen for this week is "God Will Make A Way." Over a year ago in May of 2020, I had chosen this beautiful song for the choir to sing, but unfortunately, we were unable to be in church to sing because of the beginning of the pandemic. The words in this song were inspirational at that time, and today the words still give us the peace we need everyday. "God will make a way" when we need that strength to get through each day. God is always our guide and with him by our sides we can face each new day with hope. God be with you always,
Cathy and Clark

OPENING WORDS

At your starting time greet one another in the name of Christ.

Perhaps In Unison:

***May the Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God the Father,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us,
and with the rest of our church family, this very day.***

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 19

*The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork.
We turn to our Creator in thanksgiving.*

We gather to offer our songs and prayers.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Esth. 7:3; Mark 9:30-37

FotW

**God of courage, you gave Esther the strength to speak out
and the intelligence she needed to save her people.**

**Help us to believe that you are still present
and active in this world**

and that your grace remains as an everlasting force in our lives.

In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

HYMN 1

We, Thy People, Praise Thee
Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 *ST. ANTHONY CHORALE*

67**CALL TO CONFESSION***(Nehemiah 9:17)*

*God is ready to forgive, gracious and merciful,
 slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.*

SILENT PRAYER*Psalm 124**If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee**WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT***142****PRAYER OF CONFESSION***Ps. 19:12–14; Mark 9:43–47**FotW*

**God, our strength and savior, you know
 our great transgressions,
 our hidden faults,
 our secret sins.**

**With our hands we grasp at power;
 with our feet we stumble into evil;
 with our eyes we look out for ourselves.**

**Forgive us, gracious God,
 and lead us in your holy way
 of life and love and peace;**

for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE*Jas. 5:19–20**FotW*

*My brothers and my sisters,
 if anyone among you wanders from the truth
 and is brought back by another,
 you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering
 will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.
 Rejoice! You have been brought back by the redemption of God*

**We have forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Savior.
 And so we can live in peace.**

HYMN 2

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 *LOBE DEN HERREN*

139**INTERCESSIONS**

*for small groups consider having a different person,
 or alternating persons for each section.
 I suggest a short silence between each intercession and the response.*

*Jas. 5:13–20**FotW (alt)*

*Scripture promises us that the prayers of God's people
 are powerful and effective.*

In this hope, we call on God's name, saying:

*Pour out your healing grace, O Lord;
 send forth your Spirit to save us.*

*For those who are sick and suffering . . .
 (names may be mentioned)*

**Pour out your healing grace, O Lord;
 send forth your Spirit to save us.**

For those who are burdened by sin . . .

**Pour out your healing grace, O Lord;
 send forth your Spirit to save us.**

*For nations, crumbling in conflict . . .
(recent news events may be mentioned)*

**Pour out your healing grace, O Lord;
send forth your Spirit to save us.**

For neighbors, divided by fear . . .

**Pour out your healing grace, O Lord;
send forth your Spirit to save us.**

*For the church, longing for renewal . . .
for this parish,
for our Annual conference,
for our denomination,
and for all Christians everywhere...*

**Pour out your healing grace, O Lord;
send forth your Spirit to save us.**

*For the earth, groaning for peace . . .
(specific concerns may be named...
wildfires, storms, natural disasters,
pollution, global warming, etc...)*

**Pour out your healing grace, O Lord;
send forth your Spirit to save us.**

SILENT PRAYER

Psalm 124

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

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*Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people
and grant that what we ask in faith
we may receive according to your gracious love,
so that we may lift our hearts again
in songs of thanks and praise;
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen*

HYMN 3

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

OLD 100TH

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BENEDICTION

TMO/PO (alt)

*May we leave this time and place worship
strengthened by the Spirit, renewed by God's grace
and reminded that the Body of Christ surrounds us
to help and support those overly burdened.*

**May the grace, hope, peace and love of the God the Creator,
Redeemer and Sustainer be with us now and always. Amen.**

POSTLUDE

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

ST. ANNE (CROFT)

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INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Mark 9:38-41

FotW (very modified, dwh)

*Through loving deeds and generous acts,
we become a blessing to others and give honor to Christ's name.*

*What greater reward could we ask
than to share in God's saving work?*

*It is our responsibility to "resist evil, injustice, and oppression
in whatever forms they present themselves."*

*We actively engage in this work through
our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness.*

The monetary offerings are a token of this commitment.

*Thank you for your faithfulness to the work of God
through our parish and our conference.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(Unison)*

TMO/PO

**Holy God, these offerings are only a portion
of all that you have given us.**

**We gratefully present these gifts and
entrust them to your work in this world.**

**May our gifts share the Good News of the gospel
to those who are in need.**

**May these gifts help unburden those with the heaviest of loads.
Amen.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Mark 9:38-41; Num. 11:25

FotW

*Let the name of Christ be the word you speak,
the grace you show, and the love you share.*

Amen

*May the spirit of the Lord rest upon you,
the word of the Lord live within you,
and the glory of the Lord shine around you,*

**This day and always.
Alleluia! Amen**

POSTLUDE 2

Trust and Obey (When We Walk with the Lord)

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Mark 9:38-50

TRUST AND OBEY

***While these first two videos are posted early on Sunday,
Segment 3 will be posted by evening.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

More may be sent out by email.

Bible Study – Resumes Oct. 1, 2p, with c.4

CHANGED! - CROP Walk will be VIRTUAL again – OCT 3, 2pm.

In caution, the organizers have decided it is best not to do it "in person"
to avoid the possibility of a "spreader" event.

Walk on a tread mill, or around your block... or...

Charge Conference, Monday, November 15, 2021. 4:00p – 5:30p, via Zoom

How would you like to help lead us into our "new normal"?

Talk with Pastor Dave, or with Gary Grim (SPRC)

Please get other announcements to the Pastor as quickly as possible.

September 26, 2021 **WORSHIP III**

Live / In Person / On Site -

9:00 AM HUMC
10:00 AM CUMC

A Studio Recording will be posted to YouTube later in the day.

CALL TO WORSHIP / PRAYER

Num. 11:16–29

FotW

**Upon this gathering of your people,
pour out your Spirit, O Lord.
Be near to us and speak to us,
and we will proclaim your glory.**

PRELUDE (IN PERSON)

Tim Bossler at HUMC

Rick Beede at CUMC

VIDEO

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

James 5:13-20

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prerecorded for the 11:00am video on YouTube

PRAYER

Num. 11:25; Ps. 19:7–8, 14

FotW

**Lord God, by the power of your Spirit,
enlighten our eyes, instruct our minds,
rejoice our hearts, and revive our souls
so that our lips and our lives
may bear witness to your Word. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

in-person/ on-site using NRSV

We use paraphrases by the pastor, and public domain translations for our recordings.

SERMON

CLOSING PRAYER

after the postlude during “in-person” worship
*Eternal God, we rejoice today in the gift of life,
which we have received by your grace, and the new life you give in Jesus Christ.*
In this moment of prayer, we pause to give thanks for:
The love of our families ... The support of our friends ...
Strength and abilities to serve your purpose ...
This community in which we live ...
Opportunities to give as we have received ...
God of grace, we offer our prayers for the needs of others and
commit ourselves to serve them even as we have been served in Jesus Christ.
In these moments of prayer, we pause to remember:
Those who are overwhelmed by the burden of leadership ...
Those who are exhausted from navigating uncertainty and change ...
Those who are ill and their caregivers ...
Those who are in need of courage to move forward ...
Merciful God, you call us to journeys where we cannot see the destination,
by paths untrodden, through perils unknown.
Give us faith to go out with courage, not knowing where we go,
but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us.
Finally, hear us now, as we pray the prayer Christ taught us ...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UNISON

***Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.***

POSTLUDE (IN PERSON)

Tim Bossler at HUMC

Rick Beede at CUMC

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VIDEO

Psalm 124

Go Forth for God

OLD 124TH

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR FAITH SUPPORT

Fellowship Hour - on Zoom 1 pm Today

YouTube Videos - Current Week Playlist

a) Worship I - *Prayer and Praise*

b) Worship II - *Scripture paraphrases* -

full Lectionary set

c) Worship III – *Sermon* - *A studio recording of today's "part 3". Posted by Sunday Evening.*

We will not have the same preludes and postludes

used by our accompanists during the in person gathering.

Still available: Some Hymn Videos - Rick Beede at Keyboard for several...

Other Worship Resources - for possible use by "In Home"/Small groups

If you get announcements to me, I can append them to the studio recording.

Otherwise, we could collect them and send them out by email

More worship resources,

download this full bulletin from the CUMC Website:

<https://clarksburgmdumc.org/>

This includes the "Praying with the Lectionary" and the "Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer" resources.

Pastor's Open Office Hour – on Zoom, every Wednesday at 7pm. (Other times by arrangement)

If you need the Zoom information in order to join any of our meetings

please contact the Pastor, or Gary Grim.

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Reflecting on and Praying with the Lectionary

Week of September 26, 2021

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LECTIONARY

Semi-continuous

Esther 7:1–6, 9–10; 9:20–22
Psalm 124

Both

James 5:13–20
Mark 9:38–50

Complementary

Numbers 11:4–16, 24–29
Psalm 19:7–14

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

Numbers 11:24–29 and Mark 9:38–41 are both concerned with expressions of divine power that occur outside the bounds of formal leadership and authority.

*Where have you experienced God's mighty or gracious action
in the church and in the world?*

What does it mean for the church to pray or act in the name of Jesus Christ?

*How do you account for gifts of the Spirit
that seem to spill out beyond the church's control?*

How can you see God as an active presence in your life and in the life of others?

*How can you be grateful and adore God
not only in the times when you are the subject of God's blessing
but also in times of trouble and tribulation?*

MORNING PRAYERS :

God of heavenly glory, brighter than the midday sun,
as each day tells your wonder,
may the words of my mouth be acceptable to you,
my rock and my redeemer. Amen.

May the first words in my mouth today
be the sound of the name of Jesus.
Lead me to reflect on his power as I seek to live my day,
honoring the One who gave me salvation and a new life.
In his powerful name I pray. Amen.

EVENING PRAYERS:

God of heavenly glory, deeper than the midnight dark,
as each night sings your mystery,
may the dreams of my heart be acceptable to you,
my rock and my redeemer. Amen.

God, was I an agent of hope and salvation to others as you have been to me?
As the day winds down, help me to think about
those times during the day when I lived in your grace
and the times when I failed to be salt in your world.
Keep on working in my life, through the power of your Holy Spirit,
so that I can become more like you want me to be.
In the name of Jesus. Amen.

The Ecumenical Prayer Cycle

Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Peru

26 September - 02 October 2021

Much More may be found here: <https://www.oikoumene.org/resources/prayer-cycle>

Give thanks for:

- ✓ the distinctive rhythms, music, dance, food and natural medicine in this area
- ✓ the beauty of the region, forests, mountains, rivers, lakes, and ocean coastlines, and especially indigenous peoples' relationship with, and care for, the natural environment
- ✓ churches who witness and work both ecumenically and with those of other faiths to build relationships of trust and commitment amid ongoing injustice and oppression
- ✓ the diversity of languages and cultures flourishing in the region despite disruptions that have occurred through colonization, and political and economic turmoil.

Pray for:

- ✓ Christians to have the courage, imagination and energy to build bridges of peace and understanding against conflict and division, and to pursue justice for the poor, marginalized and dispossessed
- ✓ an end of corruption in all levels of the society, including economic exploitation which impoverishes and hinders economic growth from benefitting all.
- ✓ immigrants and refugees seeking a new home, and those who accompany and support them
- ✓ coca farmers to find sustainable incomes from other crops, for an end to drug trafficking, and effective assistance for those who are addicted.

Prayers

A Mapuche* Blessing

**Mapuche means 'people of the earth'.*

They are the aborigines living in the south of Chile and Argentina.

Source: the Mapuche Pastoral Team, Santiago, Chile.

From: The website Red de Liturgia, Latin American Council of Churches

God of life, Mother of all, you renew creation.
Bring us peace and justice, 'balance' in the Mapuche sense:
balance and harmony for the earth,
balance and harmony for the peoples of the world,
balance and harmony for men and women,
balance and harmony between nature and ourselves and God.

Ernesto Barros Cardoso, Brazil. Gifts of Many Cultures: Worship Resources for the Global Community, Maren C. Tirabassi and Kathy Wonson Eddy, United Church Press, Cleveland OH, USA, 1995, p.4.

God of Life,
prepare our hands for a touch,
a new and different touch.
Prepare our hands for a touch,
a touch of encounter,
a touch of awakening,
a touch of hope,
a touch of feeling.
Many are the worn-out gestures.
Many are the movements frozen in time.
Many are the useless excuses just to repeat attitudes.
Give us daring
to create new titles of community,
new kinds of affection,
breaking away from old ways of relating,
encouraging true, meaningful ways to move into closeness.