

# Celebration of Worship

August 2, 2020

9:30 A.M.

## Thoughts for Reflection

*“When historians pick up their pens to write the story of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, let them say that it was your generation who laid down the heavy burdens of hate at last, and that peace finally triumphed over violence, aggression and war. So I say to you, walk with the wind, brothers and sisters, and let the spirit of peace and the power of everlasting love be your guide.”*

*Congressman John Lewis*

## Prelude

## Welcome

## Ringing of the Bell

## Silent Meditation

*Pierre Teilhard de Chardin*

*“We are not human beings having a spiritual experience.  
We are spiritual beings having a human experience.”*

## Call to Worship

Leader: Come, all who are hungry and thirsty.

**People: The Lord will provide for our needs.**

Leader: Come this day to the table of the Lord.

**People: Here we will find welcome and sustenance.**

Leader: Come to this time of gathering and praise.

**People: Lord, we come with open hearts and spirits to receive  
your gracious gift of love.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

## Opening Hymn

*Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*

## Prayer of Confession

**All: Merciful God, you teach us compassion, and we practice bigotry. You implore us to trust you, while we create idols. You send Christ as a witness that you will not forsake us, yet we fret over matters as though you cared not at all.**

**Forgive our compulsion to control our own destiny. Look kindly upon us when we fear for our future. Have mercy upon us when we mismanage your grace. We are your people. Help us to dwell in your promise.**

## Assurance of Pardon

Leader: “For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Therein lies our assurance of pardon.

## Gloria Patri

## Children's Time

## Scripture Readings

*Matthew 14:13-21*

*Isaiah 58:11-12*

## Hymn

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

## Scripture Reading

*Galatians 1:11-24*

## Sermon

*God's Best Idea*

Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

## Offering

Mail in your gifts or look for instructions  
for online giving in the *May Pathway*

## Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

## The Lord's Supper

## Closing Hymn

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

## Benediction

## Postlude

## Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Draw us in the Spirit's tether, for when humbly in Your name  
Two or three are met together, You are in the midst of them;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Touch we now Your garment's hem.

As disciples used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,  
Then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup,  
Alleluia! Alleluia! So now bind our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of You,  
That by caring, helping, giving, we may be disciples true.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve with faith anew.

## Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be;  
World without end. Amen. Amen.

## Let Us Break Bread Together

Let us break bread together on our knees;  
Let us break bread together on our knees.  
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;  
Let us drink wine together on our knees.  
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;  
Let us praise God together on our knees.  
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord have mercy on me.

## Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers;  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear,  
And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

From sorrow, toil and pain, and sin we shall be free,  
And perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.



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Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023
THE SESSION		
Paul Crumley	Anita Brocker	Linnaea Nifong
Todd Fargo	Don George	Alissa Mayer
Randy Nelson	Barbara Hach	
Carol Saylor	Elaine Wilbert	
Bob Smith		
	Camryn Zeitvogel - Youth	

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today.
2. THE CHURCH OFFICE is being staffed Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to noon, and additional hours as needed. As always, please check your email regularly for special announcements and prayer requests. If you have not been receiving emails from the church, please contact us with your correct email address.
3. SUNDAY SERVICES are being live-streamed  
 You can watch them live at 9:30 using:  
 ZOOM <https://zoom.us/j/200521841> The password is **worship**.  
 or Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/>  
 Or you can watch them later at your leisure using:  
 Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/>  
 or YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzM5-thYxua2HQSPF6P71wA>
4. *A generous person will prosper;  
 whoever refreshes others will be refreshed. Proverbs 11:25*  
 AS WE BEGIN to anticipate the possibility of reopening the church sometime in the future, we are seeking individuals who have ideas and gifts to make worship services accessible for our congregation. If you are interested in acting as a liturgist, or providing special music or technology support on site, please contact Todd Fargo (tfargo@gmail.com), or Alissa Mayer (candamayer@rochester.rr.com).
5. SCHOOL SUPPLIES are again being collected for needy students at the Williamson Come-Unity Center and Eastern Service Workers by the Mission Committee through August 16<sup>th</sup>. Collection boxes are located outside the north entrance to the church and, if it is open, in the church office. Basic supplies that can be used at home like pencils, crayons, markers, glue sticks, colored folders, scissors, back packs and spiral notebooks are needed. For the class room, teachers have suggested the following items: Individual tissue packs, small individual water color paint sets, crayons in small boxes, chop sticks for music class, plastic Easter eggs to use as a rattle for music class, 2 gallon zip lock bags, and hand sanitizers.  
Smaller packs (e.g. 24 count crayon boxes, 6 count pens or pencils, etc.) as opposed to very large packs are much preferred.

6. FINANCIAL GIFT STATEMENTS were not mailed out this quarter to save the cost of postage. If you would like to receive a statement, please call the church office and speak with Georgia or leave a message on the tape machine and one will be sent to you at her earliest convenience.  

<u>Pledged through July 31</u>	<u>Given through July 31 toward Pledge</u>
\$ 276,558	\$ 215,156

 To date, the church has a shortfall of \$61,402 on donated pledges.
7. ALTERNATIVE SPRING WORKDAYS - Because there was no church workday this spring, we are looking for volunteers (individuals, families, and safe groups) to complete the usual cleanup on a flexible schedule. There are some chores that should be done, and the Trustees would so appreciate your help! Here are a few of the jobs and people to contact.
  1. The main entrances doors need refinishing  
 Contact Dick & Tina McNeary @ 413-7809
  2. Grounds: **Please Contact For Directions:**  
 Bob Kizer @ 967-5389 or Tina McNeary @ 413-7809  
 Weed a garden                      Edge a garden  
 Mulch                                      Trim west side shrubs  
 Remove branches west of garage  
 Playground drainage  
 Miscellaneous odd jobs
8. UPPER ROOMS for July & August and DAILY BREAD devotionals for June, July & August are available for pick-up from the bench on the north side of the church next to the driveway loop.

### LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, August 2<sup>nd</sup></u>	<u>Next Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup></u>
Old Testament	<i>Genesis 32:22-31</i>	<i>Genesis 37:1-4, 12-26</i>
Psalms	<i>Psalms 17:1-7, 15</i>	<i>Psalms 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b</i>
New Testament	<i>Romans 9:1-5</i>	<i>Romans 10:5-15</i>
Gospel	<i>Matthew 14:13-21</i>	<i>Matthew 14:22-33</i>

### MEMORY VERSE

*“The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.”*  
*James 5:16b*