

Celebration of Worship

July 19, 2020

9:30 A.M.

"You can't undo anything you've already done, but you can face up to it. You can tell the truth. You can seek forgiveness. And then let God do the rest."

Tertullian

Prelude

Welcome

Ringin' of the Bell

Silent Meditation

Saint Augustine

O Holy spirit, descend plentifully into my heart. Enlighten the dark corners of this neglected dwelling and scatter there Thy cheerful beams.

Call to Worship (responsively)

Leader: We come to celebrate God's blessings to us.

People: Surely God is in this place!

Leader: We come to open ourselves to God's guidance and love.

People: Surely God is in this place!

Leader: We come to see more clearly God's presence in our lives.

People: Surely God is in this place!

Leader: We come to see God in this community of seekers.

People: Surely God is in this place!

Leader: We come to pray, praise, and offer ourselves to God.

People: Surely God is in this place!

Leader: Let us worship God!

Invocation

Leader: Holy One, you know us already. Help us to know you better. Let us see you all around us. Fill our worship with your Spirit so that we may learn to recognize your presence in all places. Amen.

Opening Hymn

How Firm a Foundation

Call to Confession

Leader: Our failures, shortcomings, and sin are like strong weeds in our lives. We confess them to God so that we may clear away anything that would choke out our nourishing connection with God. Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Gracious God, in the fields of our lives we strive to be fruitful, but we fall short. We get so comfortable that we sleep when we need to be vigilant about the errors in our own lives and the injustices around us. We are so casual about wrongdoing that it creeps into our lives and threatens to overwhelm the good we do. We do not pay attention to the unjust systems which shape our lives, that we must work to transform so that your Beloved Community may come to be.

Forgive us. Keep us awake so that we can produce the lives you call us to live. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: You are not God's tenants or employees; you are God's precious family. In the words of the apostle Paul, "You did not receive a spirit of servitude to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption." As God's children, in God's embrace you are forgiven and free.

Gloria Patri

Children's Time

Scripture Readings

Romans 8:12-25

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Special Music

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Nikki George

Spiritual

Scripture Reading

Psalms 139:1-12, 23-24

Sermon

An Expanding Faith

Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

Offering

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

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Closing Hymn

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Benediction

Postlude

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!
What more can be said than to you God hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand."

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

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.

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine:
Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day be wholly Thine!
May Thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire;
As Thou hast died for me, O may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!
While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread,
Be Thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray from Thee aside.

The Session has called for a SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION OF WEBSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Date Today, Sunday July 19, 2020

Time 11:30 am

Place Zoom Meeting, accessible by computer or by phone
<https://zoom.us/j/96647325536?pwd=cVd4a1MyNGtLSEtYNFNTU0zaUIGQT09>

Password 612380

Moderator Rev. Kirk Baker, Committee on Ministry

Purpose To consent or decline to consent to Rev. Dr.
Lawrence De Vuyst's request for dissolution of
his call to Webster Presbyterian Church

**Voting procedures will be distributed
by email and US mail prior to the meeting**

**Please check your email dated July 13th
and postal letter mailed July 16th for further instructions.**

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LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, July 19th</u>	<u>Next Sunday, July 26th</u>
Old Testament	<i>Genesis 28:10-19a</i>	<i>Genesis 29:15-28</i>
Psalms	<i>Psalms 139:1-12, 23-24</i>	<i>Psalms 105:1-11, 45b</i>
New Testament	<i>Romans 8:12-25</i>	<i>Romans 8:26-39</i>
Gospel	<i>Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43</i>	<i>Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52</i>

MEMORY VERSE

*"Be still and know that I am God."
Psalm 46:10*

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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>
 PARKING LOT WORSHIP - For those who would like to park in the parking lot, the service will be broadcast on radio station 101.7 for audio reception. All service leaders, however, will be inside this week.
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. FINANCIAL GIFT STATEMENTS are not being mailed out this quarter to save the cost of postage. If you would like to receive your 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 June 30</u>	<u>Given through June 30 toward Pledge</u>
\$ 237,050	\$ 188,955
6. WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT ED. SESSIONS are taking a break during July and August. Stay tuned for new opportunities in the fall.
7. 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.
8. A VBS PROGRAM will not be offered this summer due to the Covid-19 and the social distancing requirements. Please know that we are looking ahead to Summer 2021 when we will safely be able to offer another exciting and fun-filled VBS program for your children.
9. 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 16th. Collection boxes will be located outside the north entrance to the church and, if it is open, in the church office. At this time we are not sure what supplies are needed, but we will start with the basic supplies that can be used at home like pencils, crayons, markers, glue sticks, colored folders, scissors, back packs and spiral notebooks. For the class room, teachers have suggested the following items: Individual tissue packs, small individual water color paint sets, oil pastel 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
All school supplies need to be in small individual sizes or containers
 The list will be updated as we hear from teachers when and if schools are to open.
10. IN RESPONSE TO THE GOVERNOR'S COVID19 REQUEST that we wear masks when out in public where we may be closer than 6 feet from one another, Heart and Hand is offering fabric masks to our congregation. They are available at two locations in Webster. Please call in advance.
 Stephanie Lux 1519 Fieldcrest Drive 733-1720
 Anita Brocker 991 Rousseau Drive 645-6358
11. 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