

World Communion Sunday

October 2, 2022

9:30 A.M.

Prelude *Sonata No. 4 – Andante Religioso* Mendelssohn

Welcome and Announcements

Ringling of the Bell

Song *Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place*

Call to Worship

Leader: Around the world people gather to break bread and pour wine.

People: We gather with them in heart and mind.

Leader: Around the world the broken body is made whole.

People: As part of that body, we join in its unity.

Leader: Around the world the Banquet of God is prepared for the table.

People: We, who share in the Banquet, come eagerly to be fed.

Leader: Let us worship together; let us share God's bounty.

Invocation

All: Eternal God, as we gather in worship on this World Communion Sunday, we ask that You send Your Holy Spirit to fall afresh on us. We pray for Your Spirit to awaken new hope in us. Grant us the vision to see the coming of Your kingdom. Help us to celebrate the glimpses of grace that You have given to each of us. Knit our hearts together in worship and communion so that we know we do not struggle alone in working for Your peace and justice. We pray this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Hymn *Gather Us In*

Prayer of Confession

All: God of compassion and mercy, we are Your wounded and wounding children. We bring our wounded selves, our divided society, and our broken world, seeking Your healing and transforming grace. It is easy for us to point the finger at others, yet we know that we all need Your forgiveness. So we lift into Your presence today, not only the victims of conflicts, but also those we have called enemies. Break down the walls of hatred, distrust and bitterness, and open a way for us to reach one another in truth and love. Enable us to build a society where all can belong, to share our gifts in mutual respect and to seek for the new future which You offer us. Through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself. Jesus Christ is God with humankind. He is the eternal Son of the Father who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation. He is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete His mission. Therefore, the church calls all people to be reconciled to God and to one another.

Gloria Patri

Passing of the Peace

Hymn *Let Us Break Bread Together* # 513

Scripture Readings *Psalms 137:1-6*
II Timothy 1:1-14

Anthem *One World, One Communion* Choplin
Chancel Choir

One world, one communion, one faith in Christ, the Son.
One world, one communion, and there is room for everyone.
Wherever people gather to share the bread and cup,
Though we are many, we are one in love.
So much we have in common, though we are miles apart.
Through the Holy Spirit, we are one in heart. And so we are ...
Wherever bread is broken and where the cup is poured,
Brothers and sisters, we are one in the Lord.
Though many things divide us, with great diversity,
Through the power of love we will find unity. So help us see there's ...

Scripture Reading *Matthew 5:1-17; 7:28*

Sermon *"Preparing for the Work Ahead"* Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

Prayers of the People and Lighting of Prayer Candles

Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (Debts/debtors)

Offering Please place your offering in the plates at the exit doors,
mail your gifts to the church, or click the WPC website 'Give' button

Doxology and Blessing of the Offering

Prayer

All: Today, God, we confess fumbings and failures in accomplishing unity as we set aside yet another day to remind ourselves of the task. On this World Communion Sunday, give us eyes to recognize Your reflection in the eyes of Christians everywhere. Give us a mind to accept and celebrate our differences. Give us a heart big enough to love Your children everywhere. We thank You for setting a table with space enough for us all! Amen.

Service of Holy Communion

Pastor: The Lord be with you,

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere, to give thanks to You, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away and our love failed, Your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, brought us to a land flowing with milk and honey, and set before us the way of life.

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Invitation to the Table

Pastor: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God! They will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at the table in the kingdom of God. Our Savior invites those that trust him to sit at the table in the kingdom of God.

Prayer

Come to the Table of Grace

See the screen

Sharing of the Bread and the Wine

The Words of the Institution

Pastor: Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup you proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord. Let us pray.

People: Help us rise in Your resurrection power from this table where You, the Ruler of the Universe, have served us by Your own hand, that we may extend Your arms of peace to a world at war. This we ask through Christ, in Christ, with Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Amen, Amen and Amen.

Hymn *O Christ, the Great Foundation* # 443

Benediction

Postlude *Sonata No. 4 - Allegro Con Brio* Mendelssohn

World Communion Sunday



We are followers of Jesus Christ, living and sharing the love of God through faith and action, welcoming all.

Reflection

"World Communion Sunday offers congregations a distinctive opportunity to experience Holy Communion in the context of the global community of faith. The first Sunday of October has become a time when Christians in every culture break bread and pour the cup to remember and affirm Christ as the Head of the Church. On that day, they remember that they are part of the whole body of believers. Whether shared in a grand cathedral, a mud hut, outside on a hilltop, in a meetinghouse, or in a storefront, Christians celebrate the communion liturgy in as many ways as there are congregations. World Communion Sunday can be both a profound worship experience and a time for learning more about our wider community of faith."

Reflections on World Communion Sunday
Linda Jones, Associate Regional Minister Disciples of Christ

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Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angel's wings; I see glory on each face.
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

O God of All Creation

To the tune of "The Church's One Foundation"

O God of all creation, as ocean waters warm,
we grieve the devastation that comes with violent storms.
We pray for people struggling, who need your help and grace
on every flooded island and in each flooded place.

We pray for all your children, so dearly loved by you,
who know such great destruction as winds and rains crash through.
We pray for all those hurting, who grieve for what is gone,
for neighbors, friends and siblings who struggle to go on.

We pray, O Lord, for churches that help to build anew.
We pray for rescue workers and all the good they do.
We pray for those with vision who serve as they restore,
who make homes more efficient and stronger than before.

O Christ who calmed the waters and stilled the stormy seas,
You teach us: "Love your neighbors!" and "Humbly care for these!"
Now lead us by your Spirit to gladly lend a hand
on every struggling island and in each hurting land.

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Author's note: This hymn was written to help churches support the relief efforts in response to the flooding in Puerto Rico and nearby islands, Pakistan, and Alaska.

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette is the author of over 400 hymns that have been sung by thousands of congregations around the world, and are found in 20 books and thousands of websites, including carolynshymns.com.

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

513

Let us break bread together on our knees,
Let us break bread together on our knees.
Refrain:
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. Refrain

Let us praise God together on our knees
Let us praise God together on our knees. Refrain

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

O Christ, the Great Foundation

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O Christ, the great foundation on which Your people stand
to preach Your true salvation in every age and land,
Pour out Your Holy Spirit to make us strong and pure,
to keep the faith unbroken as long as worlds endure.

Baptized in one confession, one church in all the earth,
we bear our Lord's impression, the sign of second birth.
One holy people gathered in love beyond our own,
by grace we were invited, by grace we make You known.

Where tyrants' hold is tightened, where strong devour the weak,
where innocents are frightened, the righteous fear to speak,
There let Your church awaking attack the powers of sin
and, all their ramparts breaking, with You the victory win.

This is the moment glorious when He who once was dead
shall lead His church victorious, their champion and their head.
The Lord of all creation His heavenly kingdom brings,
the final consummation, the glory of all things.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us, whether in person or by live-streaming. Sunday services continue to be live-streamed. You can watch them live at 9:30 or later at your leisure using:
Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/> or
YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzM5thYxua2HQSPF6P71wA>
2. MASKS ARE AVAILABLE in the Narthex for those who would like to wear one while in the building.
3. THE DISPLAY ON THE COMMUNION TABLE is from the Deacons in celebration of World Communion Sunday.
4. ADULT ED. - Join us following the worship service today when Cameron Community Ministries will be here to give us an update about their ministry on the west side of Rochester, including a couple new initiatives. This will be livestreamed so that those of you who are with us on YouTube or FaceBook can also watch!
5. NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASS - We would love to have you become part of our church family! We are planning to have a new member class so that we can share with our visitors who we are as a congregation and as Presbyterians. If you are interested or have any questions, please call the church office (585-265-9700) or Elaine Wilbert (585-503-9141.)
6. JOHN SANKOK, who operates several medical clinics on the Massai Mara, Kenya, will be visiting us in October. We are collecting new or like new used clothes for baby layettes for his maternity clinics. If you have a donation, they must be to the church or Tina McNeary by October 12th.
7. WEBSTER MINISTRIES ON RIDGE ROAD next to Holy Trinity Church is in great need of the following items for its cupboards during October: Shampoo, body wash, lotion, toothpaste (urgent need), baby wipes, size 4 diapers, canned pineapple, jarred spaghetti sauce, new or gently used towels. If you can help, please place items in the box in the upper Narthex labeled HOPE and we will deliver them. Thank you for caring.
8. THE CHURCH PARKING LOT REPAVING has been delayed until next spring/summer since the cold, wet weather this fall would compromise the quality of the job. We will continue to collect donations and pledges toward the project if you choose to give at this time. Those who choose to wait will be asked to indicate their intentions by the end of March, 2023. If you have already given and would like a refund, please call Georgia in the church office and a refund will be provided. Please call the church office or Connie Rice (703-0618) with questions or concerns.
9. HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP of Rt. 250 by the church will be conducted on Saturday, October 15th, beginning at 10:00 AM. Volunteers are needed, and first timers are encouraged. The clean-up will be completed in well under two hours and all supplies are provided. To participate, please contact Mark Pipal at pipalmw@yahoo.com, phone number 787-4301 or look for the sign-up table in the Narthex next Sunday.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, October 2

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Live-streamed
- 10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Adult Ed. In the Sanctuary
- 4:00 P.M. Youth to North Ponds Park

Monday, October 3

- 6:30 P.M. Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Social & Basement Rooms Session in Room 9/10 and on Zoom

Tuesday, October 4

- 9:30 A.M. Women's Bible Study in Room 9/10
- 5:00 P.M. TOPS Meeting in Room 9/10
- 6:00 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 90 in the Social Room

Wednesday, October 5

- 6:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study at Golden Boys Restaurant
- 10:00 A.M. Spiritual Nurture Committee in the Social Room
- 6:30 P.M. Scout Troop 425 in the Social Room

Thursday, October 6

- 7:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study on Zoom
- 9:00 A.M. Glory Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 1:00 P.M. Small Group on Zoom
- 6:00 P.M. Alleluia Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

Friday, October 7

- 10:30 A.M. Book Club on Zoom

Saturday, October 8

- 9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8020641367?pwd=VnlXcDITWjZIS2d0NE96dmVFeVB4dz09>

ROC Ringers Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

Sunday, October 9

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Live-streamed
- 10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Adult Ed. In the Sanctuary
- 4:00 P.M. Youth Scavenger Hunt

MEMORY VERSE

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

LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, October 2nd</u>	<u>Next Sunday, October 9th</u>
Old Testament	<i>Lamentations 1:1-6, 3:19-26</i>	<i>Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7</i>
Psalms	<i>Psalm 137</i>	<i>Psalm 66:1-12</i>
New Testament	<i>II Timothy 1:1-14</i>	<i>II Timothy 2:8-15</i>
Gospel	<i>Luke 17:5-10</i>	<i>Luke 17:11-19</i>