

Wesley Park United Methodist Church

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Children and Education

9:30 am - October 29, 2017

We Gather Together

Prelude

Welcome

*Singing

*Call To Worship

One: We gather with love,
in the name of God who loves each and every child.

**All: We gather with hope,
as the body of Christ who is the hope of the world.**

One: We gather with justice,
called by the Spirit whom Jesus called the Advocate.

**All: Come, let us worship on this Children's Sabbath day
with love, hope, and justice.**

We Receive the Word

Scripture

Matthew 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Children's Blessing

Chancel Choir

Message

Lord, Listen to Your Children

Rev. Dean N. Prentiss

Erika VanDyke

This Is The Day

We Respond to the Word

Singing UMH #277

Tell Me The Stories of Jesus

Offering Our Selves and Gifts to God

Stewardship Invitation

Offertory

*Doxology #64

Teach Your Children

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Great God, guard the laughter of children. Bring them safely through injury and illness so they may live the promises you give. Do not let us be so preoccupied with our purposes that we fail to pay attention to their special vision of the truth; but keep us ready to love, and to serve, and to act for justice for all your children, everywhere. Amen.

We Go Forth Into the World

*Singing UMH #451

Be Thou My Vision

*Benediction

Go forth to be the arms of God's love for every child.

Go forth to extend Christ's welcome to every child.

Go forth to be a voice for justice in the power of the Spirit.

May the God of love, hope, and justice be with you

and each child of God this day and forevermore. **Amen.**

Postlude

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**Please stand as you are able or comfortable.*

Our Mission is to build a Christian community with all people.

Our vision: by 2018, Wesley Park will strive to inspire from the youngest to the oldest and everybody in between to live out the greatest commandment: to love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, and love your neighbor as yourself.

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9:30 am Worship Servants:

- ☀ **Greeters:** Barb DeCan, Charlie Swanson
- ☀ **Ushers:** Sally Dear, Deb Hodges, Lynda Edsall, Kathy DenHollander, Ava Kropp
- ☀ **Acolytes:** Madeline Brink and Angel Najjar
- ☀ **Liturgist:** Ava Kropp
- ☀ **Computer Tech:** Paula Hartley
- ☀ **Nursery:** Skyler Maitner, Phyllis Prentiss
- ☀ **Sound Board:** Pat Carruthers
- ☀ **Welcome Desk:** Jim Gustafson
- ☀ **Musicians:** Sara Kropp, Adrienne Prentiss, Liz Montcastle, Dave Strumfeld

- ⊠ **Rev. Dean N. Prentiss**, Pastor, dprentiss@wesleypark.org
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