

Wesley Park United Methodist Church

Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost

9:15 am - November 4, 2018

We Gather Together

Prelude

Entrance of the Light of Christ

Welcome

*Call to Worship

One: God like a bakerwoman you bring the leaven which causes our hopes to rise.

**All: With your strong and gentle hands, shape our lives.
Warm us with your love.**

One: Take our common lives and touch them with your grace, that we may nourish hope among humanity.

All: We pray trusting in your name, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Hymn #117

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Children's Blessing

Prayer of Confession and Pardon

One: Let us confess our sins before God and one another:

All: Almighty and merciful God, we know that when we hurt another, we hurt you. We are aware that we have often allowed the shadow of hate to cloud our souls, hiding the light from our unseeking eyes. We have said hurtful things to our sisters and brothers. Grant that we might find that spark of love that ever burns within us, the love that you have shown to us even when we have failed you. Fan the embers of that love until it roars again in flames of love, peace, and reconciliation. Forgive us our sins and help us to forgive those who have sinned against us. Let us into new life through your Son Jesus Christ, who died for the sins of all. Amen.

One: May almighty God, who caused light to shine out of darkness, shine in our hearts, cleansing us from all our sins, and restoring us to the light of the knowledge of God's glory, in the face of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

We Receive the Word

Chancel Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Love and Hope

My Hope Is In You

Ruth 1:1-18

Rev. Dean N. Prentiss

We Respond to the Word

*Hymn #368

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving

Breaking the Bread, Lifting the Cup

Receiving

All are welcome to receive this gift from Christ. Take a piece of bread and pass the basket to those in your pew. Hand the tray of cups to the person next to you then take a cup. Hold onto the bread and cup until all are ready to partake together. Gluten-free and sealed wafers and cups are available from the acolyte. Let us be in prayer for God's world.

Prayer after Receiving

Offering Gifts to God and the World

Stewardship Invitation

Offertory

*Doxology #64

**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!**

All My Hope

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

We Go Forth Into the World

*Hymn #706

Soon and Very Soon

Charge and Benediction

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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9:15 am Worship Servants:

☀ **Greeters:** Heinz Herzog, Lynda Edsall

☀ **Ushers:** Jeff & Pam Osborn, Max & Gail Gibbard

☀ **Communion Servers:** Max & Gail Gibbard, Jeff & Pam Osborn, Bob Williams, Vicky Van Dalsen, Ken & Linda McKenney

☀ **Sound Tech:** Pat Carruthers

☀ **Computer Tech:** Paula Hartley

☀ **Video Tech:** Tommy Schick

☀ **Acolytes:** Kiarra Jones

☀ **Nursery:** Skyler Maitner, Sheryl Jones (9:15), Jorie Schafer (11:00)

☀ **Information Desk:** Jane Johnson

☀ **Musicians:** Sara Kropp, Adrienne Prentiss, Dave Strumfeld

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