

Wesley Park United Methodist Church

Proper 25

9 am - October 23, 2016

We Gather Together

Prelude

Greeting

*Call to Worship

Who Stole My Church

One: Lord, I'm so proud of what Ernie was able to make happen last night.

All: And I pray for Ben that he will see the love of Jesus through Connie and her hospitality and men like Ernie who care that much.

One: Lord, I'll bet that Ben is living with a lot of anger in him. I pray that you will use people like us to help him find a new way to see things and to live.

All: Help us to see our church as a big family that reaches out to people like Ben.

One: Father, please forgive us for being so self-centered... so rigid... so unkind in our remarks and our attitudes. We really have a lot to learn.

All: You know, heavenly Father, how long I've known most of the people in this room. But I've never loved them as much as I do now. I am so grateful. Amen.

*Hymn #384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (Wesley/Zundel)

Children's Blessing

Special Music, Peggy Sonke

God So Loved the World (Stainer)

We Receive the Word

Prayer of Preparation

Scripture

Luke 10:27

Sermon

Looking Out

Rev. Dean N. Prentiss

In worship, we have talked about

Looking _____, Looking _____,

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Looking _____, and Looking _____.

What are some words that come to mind when you think of your experience with this study?

Luke 10:27 "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

What did it take for Ernie to trust Ben, and Ben to trust Ernie?

How is God calling you to love your neighbor as yourself?

We Respond to the Word

*Hymn

As a Fire Is Meant for Burning (Duck)

Stewardship Celebration and Invitation

Offertory

*Doxology #64

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

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God, we want to give you gifts today like our music and our praise. And we want to give you something that each of us has earned. So we pray you would accept our gifts, the big gifts and the small gifts, as a sign of our love to you. Amen.

We Take the Word into the World

*Hymn

We Are All One in Mission (Edwards)

*Blessing

Postlude

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

Ministering Today - 9 am

Greeters	Lynda Edsall, Pat Warren
Acolyte	Anna Reidel
Ushers	Bob Williams, Chuck Dear, Jim Gustafson, Sheryl Jones
Musician	Liz Montcastle
Sound Tech	Dan Scribner
Video Tech	Donna Workman
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