

# Wesley Park United Methodist Church

Proper 26, United Methodist Women Sunday

10 am - October 30, 2016

## We Gather Together

**Prelude**

**Look, Ye Saints! The Sight Is Glorious** (Monk/DeCou)

**Greeting**

**\*Act of Centering**

One: Friends, let us celebrate the joys and challenges of following Christ.  
Let us pray together.

**All: Eternal God, we have gathered here in your sanctuary this morning as members of your family to worship you as our Living God. Equip us with your Holy Spirit to witness to your love and power, healing and reconciliation, nurturance and new life. Inspire us once again to be the tellers of the old, old story in ever new contexts, that Jesus has come so that all may have life, in fact, more than life, Life in its Fullness, through Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

One: Community-making God, you have called us to be in community with one another. Enable us to center ourselves for renewal in your presence, commitment to your mission, and ministry with the least of these, here and around the world.

**All: Equip us with your Holy Spirit to witness to your love and power, healing and reconciliation, nurturance and new life. Inspire us once again to be the tellers of the old, old story in ever new contexts, that Jesus has come so that all may have life, in fact, more than life, Life in its Fullness, through Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

**\*Hymn #540**

**I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord** (Dwight/Williams)

## We Receive the Word

**Prayer of Preparation**

**Scripture**

Psalm 17  
Romans 6:1b-11

**Sermon**

**I Took The One Less Travelled By** Nichea Ver Veer Guy

## We Respond to the Word

**\*Hymn**

**Chain Breaker**

**Sacrament of Baptism, Membership Celebrations**

**Baptisms:** Michael Allen; Nolan Warner

**Professions of Faith:** Jennifer Allen; Danny Bloomer; Jim Bloomer

**Transfers:** Luanne Hoffman; Bill Hoffman (Posthumously); Chuck Johnson; Jane Ellen Johnson (Retired United Methodist Elder); Jeanne Thompson

**Choral Anthem**

**All I Ask of You** (McDonald)

**Stewardship Celebration and Invitation**

**Offertory**

**Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts** (Baker/DeCou)

**\*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!**

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**God of mission, we thank you for your gifts that surround us.  
Out of our gratitude to your faithful love, we give ourselves  
and this token of monetary gift for the furtherance of your  
mission. Bless our gifts that they may be multiplied for the  
transforming ministries of the world. In your name, we pray.  
Amen.**

## We Take the Word into the World

**\*Hymn #593**

**Here I Am, Lord** (Schutte)

**\*Blessing**

May God, whom heaven and earth cannot contain, burst forth into new life in you. May Christ bless you with the power of the Gospel to disturb and heal you. May the Holy Spirit accompany you beyond the known path so that you may proclaim your faith in action without fear and without apology. **Amen.**

**Postlude**

**The Banner of the Cross** (McGranahan/DeCou)

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

### Ministering Today - 10 am

Greeters	Kellie O'Connor, Kristen Brink, Phyllis Prentiss
Acolyte	Jillian Fischer
Ushers	Julie Riemersma, Lynda Edsall, Cindy Lang, Linda McKenney
Musician	Liz Montcastle, Phil Pletcher, Carole Sutphen, Erin Vanderlaan, Paula Hartley, Sara Kropp
Sound Tech	James Halstead
Video Tech	Alex Fischer
Nursery	Skyler Maitner, Wendy Harr
Child Advocate	Skyler Maitner

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