

September 4, 2022

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome! We are happy to have you with us today!

WELCOME

Liturgist, Toni Brown

Please pass the ritual of Friendship

*GREETING (With One Another)

Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you!

Response: And also with you!

PRELUDE

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Words: Robert Robinson, 1735-1790; Music: John Wyeth, 1770-1858

Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, all who labor and are weighed down with responsibility, uncertainty, and worry.

We come, because the load we carry is heavier than we can bear alone.

Come, all you who seek to relate work and worship, leisure and service, into a meaningful whole.

We gather for spiritual renewal and practical challenge, for help in making choices and carrying out our commitments.

Come, sinner and saint, with your hatreds and loves, your failures and successes, your sorrows and joys.

We respond to the Spirit’s leading and open ourselves to receive God’s gracious gifts.

*OPENING PRAYER

Boundless Shaper of people and nations, you are beyond our knowing, yet closer to us than our every breath. You are before us and behind us, surrounding us with your love, and fashioning all of creation in the secret depths of your heart. With every thought, with every song, and with every prayer, turn these fragile, earthen vessels of our lives, into the Spirit-filled body of Christ. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

Vs. 1, 2, 5 & 7 No. 62

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

No. 895

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 14: 25-33

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Ave Maria"

Bach/ Gounod

Prudy Klinger & Donna Brown, piano duet

SERMON

“Having Words with Jesus: Counting the Cost”

Rev. Hojin Shin

HOLY COMMUNION

Communion will be served in two ways:

1. Communion Stewards will wear a mask and gloves to serve the bread and a small glass of juice at the front for those who wish to be served.
2. Self-serve cups will be available for those who do not wish to have Communion served to them. They should pick up their cup when entering the sanctuary like we have been doing.

Gluten-free Communion is available on the center aisle.

Remember, this sacrament of Holy Communion is open to all people

*CLOSING HYMN

“Guide My Feet”

Vs. 1-3 No. 2208

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Scattering Precious Seed”

Words: W.A. Ogden, 1841-1897
Music: George C. Hugg, 1848-1907

John Roberts, Ed. D., pianist

*Please stand if you are able

We are happy you are with us today!!
Please sign the **attendance registration** pad located in the pew racks.

Altar Flowers

**Today's altar flowers were given by John Roberts & Thom Weintraut
In Memory of Mrs. Ella Letitia Smith Roberts, 1927-2016. Beloved mother and mother-in-law.**

If you would like to use a **large print hymnal**,
or a **hearing assistance device** please ask an usher for one.

- * Our prayer chain is available to any who have needs or concerns. We will pray with you and for you. Fill out a prayer request form located in the pew or contact the church office at 235-7088. All prayer requests will be sent out by email.
- * Our Cry Room, Nursery, and a Rest Room are all located off the hallway in the back of the sanctuary.
- * The service is recorded each week and is available to anyone who requests it. If you know of someone who is unable to attend services and would like to receive a DVD or an audio CD, please contact the church office, 235-7088.
- * Today's service is being live streamed on Facebook.
- * Children's Bulletins are available in the sanctuary on a table by the door in the front. Children's packets are available in bags and the back of the sanctuary.

Ministers
Director of Music
Organist
Pianist
Accompanist
Administrative Assistant
Media Specialist
Youth Leader

Every Member
Emily Forssberg
Susan Feltman
John Roberts, Ed. D.
Ginger Herndon
Dawn Lowe
Sally Thurman
Rumen Hulmequist

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The Mission of Waterloo First United Methodist Church is to be a church of people who live as disciples of Jesus Christ by providing a place for spiritual growth in a caring, inviting community.