

ORDER OF SERVICE
19th Sunday after Pentecost
September 30, 2018

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Announcements & Affirmation of Community

Prelude "Light Divine" Felix Mendelssohn

Choral Introit "O Come Let Us Sing to the Lord"

Call to Worship

Leader: Upon this gathering of your people,

People: pour out your Spirit, O Lord.

Leader: Be near to us and speak to us,

People: and we will paroclain your glory.

***Hymn** "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" Red # 687

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God, our strength and savior, you know our great transgressions, our hidden faults, our secret sins. With our hands we grasp at power; with our feet we stumble into evil; with our eyes we look out for ourselves. Forgive us, gracious God, and lead us in your holy way of life and love and peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (silent prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri** (#579)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Sharing the peace of Christ

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 pgs. 129-130

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem "The Lord is a Mighty God" Felix Mendelssohn

Gospel Reading Mark 9:38-48 pg. 45

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Roadblocks" Rev. Dr. Timothy J. Luoma

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn** "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" Red # 291

Offertory Invitation

Offertory "O Word of God Incarnate" Felix Mendelssohn

***Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (sins)

Prayer Response "Amen"

***Hymn** "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" Red# 649

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response** "Go With Us Lord" Thomas Tallis

Postlude "March" Felix Mendelssohn

All are asked to remain seated during the postlude

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

PASTOR: Rev. Dr. Timothy J. Luoma

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Janet Booth

COORDINATOR OF YOUTH PROGRAMS AND

CHURCH EVENTS: Cynthia Allen

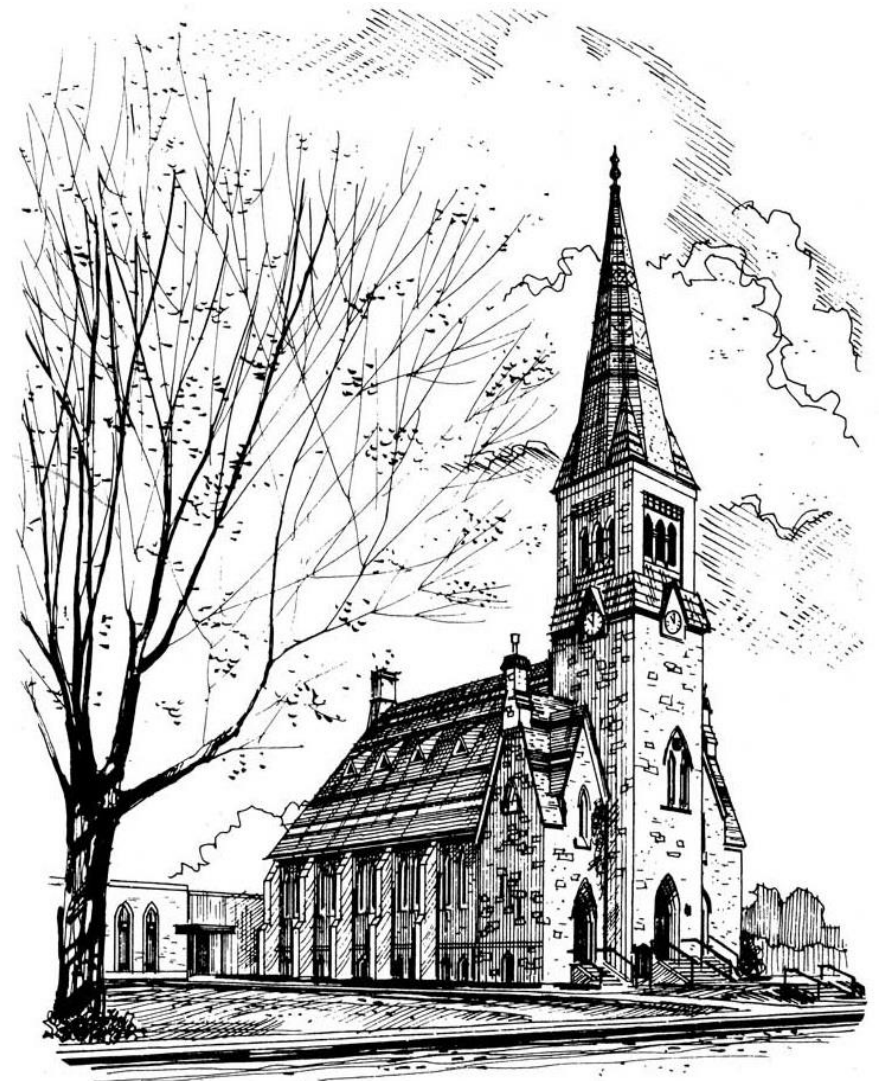
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Vicki Washburn

ORGANIST: David Carpenter

CLERK OF SESSION: Judy Bunnell

MODERATOR OF DEACONS: Anne Bailey

SEXTON: Phil Wallace



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Our mid-week Bible Study Continues!

We meet each **Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Memorial Room.** We are reading the book of “Acts” and have read and discussed up to chapter 14. All are welcome.

Worship Leaders for September-October

October 7-Emma Snook

October 14-Matt Burgin

October 21-Carla Hausrath

October 28- Luke Moore

Church Office Hours:

Monday 1:00-4:00 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday 9:00-4:00 pm, Thursday 9:00-2:00 pm

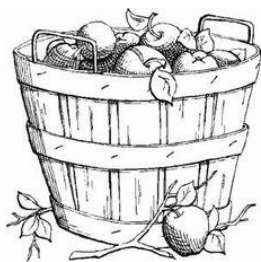
This week:

Wednesday: 10:00 am Bible Study

11:00 am Worship and Music

4:30 Community Meal

Thursday: 4:45 Nurture Council meeting



MISSION STATEMENT
To
Worship Christ
Teach Faith
And
Practice Love

Child care is available during the service – please talk with an usher if you need directions.

If you are visiting, please feel welcome to come to Fellowship Hall, following the service.

PRAYER FAMILIES FOR THE WEEK September 30, 2018

Jackie and Alan Walker

Phil Wallace

Bob and Peg Warner

Vicki and Ed Washburn

PRAYER CONCERNS

John Mazur

Jennie Booth

Kenneth and Barbara Burdo

Leona Woodbridge

Debbie Beatty (Tracey Luoma’s mother)

Edna Webster

Ernest Kiemle (Cindy Malchoff’s father)

Family of David K. Martin II

This Sunday we thank:

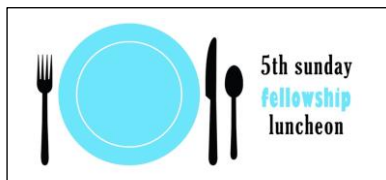
GREETER: Nancy Olsen

USHERS: Roger and Marilyn Patnode

WORSHIP LEADER: Tracey Luoma

HOST & HOSTESS: Hospitality Team

Please join us today in Fellowship Hall after Worship for...



On **Wednesday, October 3rd** our church will be providing the volunteer staff and meal for the **Community Meal** program at Trinity Episcopal Church. Volunteers are needed to arrive around 4 p.m. help set up, make coffee, cook, serve food, do kitchen and dining room cleanup, etc. We are usually finished by 6:30 pm. If you can help, speak to Judy Bunnell (518-561-8011).



Open House Volunteers

There will be a meeting on Thursday, October 4, @ 2:30 p.m. in the Memorial Room for anyone who would like to help out. We will need decorating ideas, people to help set up, serve, and break down.

Great Escape Trip

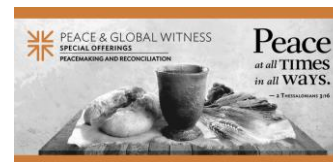
Please make sure if you are planning to go on the Great Escape Trip on Saturday, October 13, that you contact Cindy by Tuesday, October 8.

Trick or Treat

Cindy is planning an “interactive” trick and treat at the Vilas Home with the residents. This is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, October 28th. Please contact Cindy if you want your child to participate. The Vilas Home residents will be looking forward to having the children come by in their costumes.

Open/House Homecoming

Wonderful news! The E-team and Church Activities Coordinator have come together to plan an **Open House/Homecoming on October 21 from 10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.** Fellowship Hour will extend to 1:00 p.m. Tentative plans are coming together for lunch, plus activities for children and youth on the Brinkerhoff Lawn. We will be asking for input from the congregation, and for volunteers to help reach out and assist in reconnecting to congregation members who have not been in attendance for a while, plus those who are in need of transportation. A special priority will be extending invitations to community organizations, non-profits, local churches and businesses. This is an exciting opportunity to grow our church. There is much to plan, if you are interested in helping out – contact Cindy at 518-561-3140, Ext:103.



Please know that 25% of the peacemaking offering will go towards The **Oasis Project** which is a community based subcommittee of the Interfaith Council of Plattsburgh and Clinton County. Oasis provides after school tutoring, social support, and literacy education for homeless children in Clinton County at two sites: The Keeseville United Methodist Church and the Church of Christ on Cogan Avenue. Children who need support from the Ausable Valley Central School and Beekmantown Central School are identified through the Department of Social Services. The program began in 2016, and enables children in unstable housing situations to excel in school. Transportation to the site is provided, and the tutors are volunteers. At this time, financial support is used for operational costs including teaching supplies, office supplies, postage, and transportation costs.