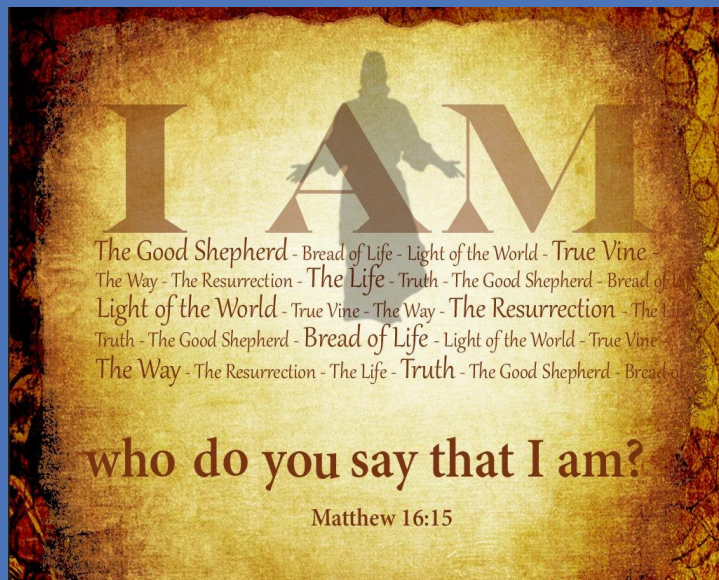


THE
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CLINTON

Allan Mueller, Musician
August 27, 2017
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Alana Limber, Guest Speaker



PRELUDE May the music bring quiet to your spirit.

WELCOME AND SEEING GOD'S WORK

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

God of all Creation, We come before you to welcome you to this worship service. We give you respect and acknowledge you as our Creator and Provider. It is you who are omnipresent. You are everywhere, Lord. It is you who are omnipotent. You have all power. It is you who are omniscient. You know everything. We pray these things in your mighty name. Amen

***HYMN OF PRAISE** #214 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather to worship together,

All: Different people, different lives, different histories,

Leader: Yet all children of the same Parent,

All: Created lovingly by the Source of all life!

Leader: We gather to reconnect with one another,

All: Different people, different lives, different histories,

Leader: Yet all disciples of one Teacher.

All: Jesus, the Word made flesh, dwelling among us.

Leader: We gather with different joys and sorrows, different hopes and fears....

All: Different people, different lives, different histories,

Leader: Yet one people with one God, one faith, one baptism.

All: Let us open ourselves to the presence of God at work in us, among us, and through us.

FOLLOWED BY THE LORD'S PRAYER: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

***GLORIA PATRI (# 35 in Hymnal)**

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.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*In unison*)

God of Grace, you have gifted us with a world of abundance; a land of plenty; a country where all can have enough. We come before you this day to thank you for this prosperity and to repent from our apparent inability to share this wealth. God, we declare our own complicity in systems that sustain some of us, while forsaking many others. And we come before you to seek your forgiveness, even as we pray for your justice.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The good news is that Christ calls us to new life and enables us to begin again and again and again and again. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

PASSING THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 12:1-8 (*NT page 168-169*)

TIME WITH CHILDREN AND CHILDREN'S OFFERING

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** #86 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

TIME OF PRAYER

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE (# 306 in Hymnal)

Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord.

Incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 16:13-20 (*NT page 18*)

SERMON "Getting Along with Each Other"

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERING #452 Here I Am, Lord

***THE DOXOLOGY (# 46 in Hymnal) Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

OFFERING PRAYER

God of Life, may these gifts we offer of our time, talent and treasure extend to our beloved community and beyond. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

***HYMN OF DEDICATION** #272 The Church's One Foundation
During the Hymn of Dedication we invite you to come before the altar and make a commitment to God...
...to ask Jesus Christ to be your Savior.
...to renew your commitment to Jesus as Lord.
...to invest your life as a member of the church by transfer of membership or as a new Christian dedication.

***COMMISSIONING**

***BLESSING**

My brothers and sisters, this service has come to an end. Go into your week, serving your Saviour with love, delighting in the life God has given you. God be with you till we meet again.

***BELL AND POSTLUDE**

**Please rise in Body or in Spirit*

WELCOME

To The United Church of Clinton

If you are visiting with us today, we want to welcome you to our worship.
Please come and join us after worship for coffee and fellowship in Marquardt Hall .
We are so glad you are here and hope you will come again.

Flowers have been placed on the altar
to
the Glory of God

This morning, our Guest Speaker is Alana Limber.

Please pray for:

Sara Houghton

Jim Garceau

Amanda Howe

Jeannette Sivert

The Turcotte Family

Jim Porcella

Carol Buteau

Chad Kay

Jim Burke

Shelly L.

Bill Meehan

Billie Jean Dotson

Jayne Wiggington



Please pray for our Home Worshipers:

Mary Bisson, Marge Sheridan, Marilyn Center,
Corinne Dobeck, Eunice Salmon, Gloria Nillson,
Corinne Gebhardt & Herman Schultz

Please pray for those in the Military:

Mike Clark (Mary & Joe's son)
S/SGT Frank R. Heron (Marge Sheridan's grandson)
Captain Aubrey Sontag
Captain Tiffany Sontag
S/A Jill Milewski
Pvt. Alex Apell
All who are deployed

PRAYER REQUEST
If you would like to have a friend or loved ones' name included in the Monday Morning Prayer Request e-mail, please fill out a Prayer Request Card found on the back of the pew and place it in the offering plate.



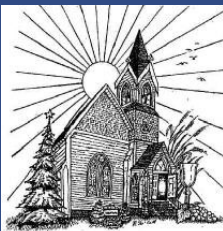
OUR SYMPATHIES AND PRAYERS are extended to Kelly Turcotte & Family on the passing of her husband, Kevin Turcotte, on Thursday, August 17.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

27 - Joe Facendola
29 - Amy Arpano
31 - Barry Dobeck

THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

27 - Rebecca & Greg Stahl
28 - Laura & David Taylor
02 - Madeline & Bob McTague



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