

THE
UNITED
CHURCH
OF
CLINTON

Bob Lidstone, Guest Preacher
Allan Mueller, Musician
July 2, 2017
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Mt. 10:37-42



Whoever welcomes you
WELCOMES ME

PRELUDE May the music bring quiet to your spirit.

WELCOME AND SEEING GOD'S WORK

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

***HYMN OF PRAISE** #452 Here I am Lord

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sing, sing of God's unalterable love!

People: We will rejoice as we walk in the light of our God.

Leader: Tell everyone around you of God's faithfulness.

People: We will share the stories of the One who experienced our life in all its fullness.

Leader: Shout out loud of God's presence with us, on this day and in all the days to come.

People: Justice and goodness are God's gifts to us; truth and love walk by our side.

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 compassion, we are to open our hearts to others, but they may need to be careful lest they slip on our icy attitudes towards them. You did not have to become one of us, but you did, so we might know your love. You did not have to welcome us into your family, but you do, so we might experience unexpected grace in our lives. You did not have to die for us, but in Jesus Christ you did, so we might have life with you forever.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Broken, we are made whole; thirsty, we are filled with living water; longing for a renewed relationship with God, we are welcomed with open arms by the One who forgives us. Without a doubt, God's love never comes to an end. We will tell our kids and grandkids of the grace and peace which is ours. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 22: 1-14 (*OT page 19-20*)

TIME WITH CHILDREN AND CHILDREN'S OFFERING

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** # 557 Just a Closer Walk with Thee

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 10: 40-42 (*NT page 11*)

SERMON

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERING # 566 Be Still My Soul

***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.**

***HYMN OF DEDICATION** #600 Jesu, Jesu

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 AND BLESSING**

***BELL AND POSTLUDE**

**Please rise in Body or in Spirit*



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 Lay Reader is Kelly Turcotte.

Please pray for:

Sara Houghton

Jim Garceau

Amanda Howe

Jeannette Sivert

Yvonne Quinn

Dorothy Martinath

Chad Kay

Jim Burke

Jim Porcella

Carol Buteau

Billie Jean Dotson



Please pray for our Home Worshippers:

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
1st Lt 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.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

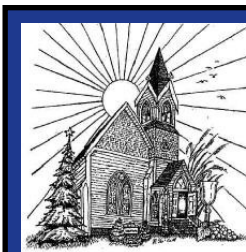
02 - Kevin Turcotte
06 - Kylee Dobeck
07 - Nancy Moran
07 - Kelly Turcotte
07 - Alison Zinsli

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

03-10 - *Office Closed*

PLEASE NOTE

While the Church Office will be closed from July 1 - 10, the e-mail and phone messages will be checked daily. In the event of a pastoral emergency, please contact Pam Dobeck at 978-815-0751 or Bob Lidstone at 978-368-7747.



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