

Affton Presbyterian Church

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June 27, 2021



Service for the Lord's Day

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

↑Call to Worship

Come among us, Healing God; we wait for you.

We come, hungry for your Word to bless us.

Come among us, Compassionate Christ; we hope in you.

We come, hungry to be filled with the Bread of Heaven.

Come among us, Restoring Spirit; we wait and hope in you.

We come, eager to rest in your peace.

↑Hymn #469

“Morning Has Broken”

Prayer of Confession

We want to touch the hem of your garment, O God.

Forgive us for being afraid to touch those who come to us for hope;

we want to love the whole world: forgive us for ignoring our neighbor;

we long for peace: forgive us for the pain we inflict on our families and friends;

we want to share with those we love and like: forgive us for walking past those who need you most.

Forgive us, Loving God, for we do not excel in everything you call us to do.

Give us grace: to touch those who frighten us; to carry the Bread of Life to the hungry; to offer the blessings of the kingdom to everyone we meet, even as you have graced us in Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

↑Response

“Gloria Patri”

Passing the Peace

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27

Alternate Reading:

Mary Oliver, The Summer Day (see insert at end)

Sermon

Reverend Meredith Jackson

↑Hymn #339

“Be Thou my vision”

↑Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering

Please place offerings in collection plate on the table upon entering or exiting the building. Checks can also be mailed to the church or donations made online.

↑Response of Praise “Doxology”

↑Prayer of Dedication

From our present abundance, we offer our gifts to you, Generous Heart, so that the hungry might be fed, so that the broken might find healing, and so the grieving might be comforted. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

↑Hymn #263 “Immortal, invisible, God only wise”

↑Charge and Benediction

Postlude

The people serving you...

Musician: Lynette Milles

Liturgist: Betty Greaves

Pastor: Rev. Meredith Jackson

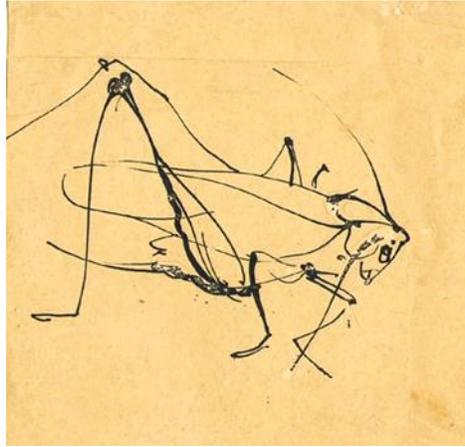
Please remember in your prayers...

Bill Campey, Diane Kauffmann, Jeff Maze, Joe Maze
and Clyde O'Bryan.

ZOOM Instructions for homebound:

Meet with us online or via phone at 10 am: Look under “Updates” on our site to join online or call 312-626-6799 and when prompted enter the Meeting ID: 942 617 477 (followed by #).

*When asks for a Participant ID number, dial #. On the phone, dial *6 to mute or unmute yourself. If asked for a password, enter 3410.*



The Summer Day

Who made the world?

Who made the swan, and the black bear?

Who made the grasshopper?

This grasshopper, I mean--

the one who has flung herself out of the grass,

the one who is eating sugar out of my hand,

who is moving her jaws back and forth instead of up and down --

who is gazing around with her enormous and complicated eyes.

Now she lifts her pale forearms and thoroughly washes her face.

Now she snaps her wings open, and floats away.

I don't know exactly what a prayer is.

I do know how to pay attention, how to fall down

into the grass, how to kneel in the grass,

how to be idle and blessed, how to stroll through the fields

which is what I have been doing all day.

Tell me, what else should I have done?

Doesn't everything die at last, and too soon?

Tell me, what is it you plan to do

With your one wild and precious life?

Mary Oliver