

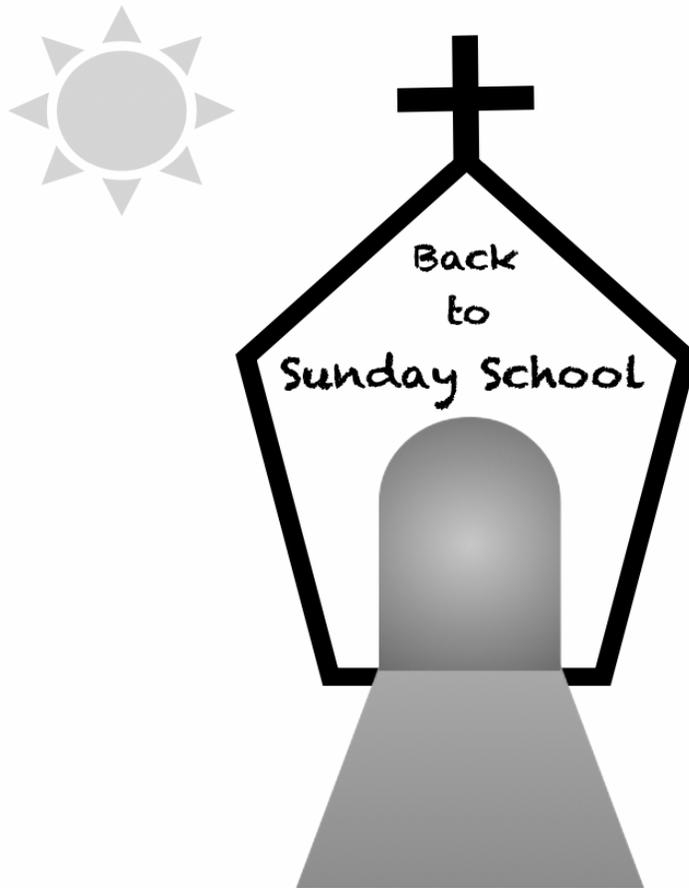
Affton Presbyterian Church

Calling, equipping and sending people to experience life through Jesus Christ

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September 18, 2022

25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Service for the Lord's Day

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

↑Call to Worship

Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth!

Worship God with gladness.

Come into God's presence with singing!

The Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting, and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.

↑Hymn #263 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, call forth what you made us to be, and direct what we shall become, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Assurance of Pardon

↑Response

Children's Message

↑Passing the Peace

Prayer for Illumination

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Scripture The Story of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego
Excerpts from Daniel 3

Sermon

↑Hymn #179

“God Is My Strong Salvation”

↑Affirmation of Faith

A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God’s commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God’s condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Offering

↑Response of Praise

“Doxology”

↑Prayer of Dedication

Blessed are you, God of all creation; through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your

glory and for the service of your kingdom. Amen.

↑Hymn #302 "I Danced in the Morning"

↑Charge and Benediction

Postlude

The people serving you...

Musician: Lynette Milles
Liturgist: Betty Greaves
Pastor: Rev. Hannah Zyla

Please remember in your prayers...

Bill Campey, Barb Cavicchia, Joanne Goin, Joe Maze, Mary Philips

Getting in touch with the pastor:

If you are a visitor wanting to know more about Affton Presbyterian Church, a lifelong member looking for information or care, or just want to say hello, please don't hesitate to reach out to Pastor Hannah Zyla. She would be happy to meet and talk with you at your convenience.

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or call 312-626-6799 and when prompted.

enter the Meeting ID: 942 617 477 (followed by #).

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