



*Heritage responds to Christ's call to be light in a dark world
by bringing faith, hope and love to all we meet.*

**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 13, 2020**

italics = Worship Leader speaks
boldface = All speak (including Worship Leader)

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

We welcome you today in the name of the One who frees us from every burden, renews our spirits and inspires hope and joy in our living. May this time of worship encourage and lift you up.

WELCOME AND MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Beth Wagner

PRELUDE "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship" (CCLI song #19052)

Music: William Moore (Public Domain); Words: George Atkins (Public Domain)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come in from the night.

It is a new day, and this is where love lives.

Take off your coat, let the weight fall off your shoulders;

For here, you are known. Here, you are loved.

Come in from the rain.

We can do anything together. We can survive together.

When the world unravels from under your feet—come in.

Come in. God is here. You are home. You will never be alone.

Let us worship the God who weaves us together. Amen.

HYMN..... "I Sing the Almighty Power of God" (CCLI song #738058)

Music: Traditional English Melody (Public Domain) arranged by Ralph Vaughan Williams; Words: Isaac Watts (Public Domain)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we have been angry because we see suffering and we don't understand. We have been skeptical because we know heartbreak that doesn't seem fair. We have withheld love because sacrifice only feels real when it's our own. Forgive us for forgetting that you created the heavens and the earth. Forgive us for withholding our pain from you. Forgive us for thinking that we know everything.

(A moment of Silent prayer)

When the world falls apart around us— when love unravels and life slowly fails— draw us in. Show us grace; for you gave the wind its weight and you gave our bodies life. Forgive us for forgetting that. Amen.

RESPONSE..... “Gloria Patri” Henry W. Greatorex

THE PEACE OF CHRIST..... Rev. Beth Wagner

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE..... Job 28:12-28

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE..... Rev. Beth Wagner

“In the Midst of Suffering, Embracing the Mystery of God”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN..... “The Bond of Love” (CCLI song #14459)

Music and Words: Otis Skillings

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH..... The Apostle’s Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING DEDICATION PRAYER..... Rev. Beth Wagner

God of Grace, we know you want justice rolling down like water. Accept these gifts from our hands, which we cast upon the waters of your love, a generous ever-flowing stream feeding the hungry and helping those in need. Accept these gifts for the work of your church. Amen.

RESPONSE..... “Doxology” Genevan Psalter

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE..... Rev. Beth Wagner

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.

SENDING

HYMN.....“Blessed Assurance” (CCLI song #22324)
Music: Phoebe Palmer Knapp (Public Domain); Words: Fanny Jane Crosby (Public Domain)

CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION..... Rev. Beth Wagner

BENEDICTION Rev. Beth Wagner

POSTLUDE“Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing” (CCLI song #4529091)
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Sunday Worship: 10:00 am Office Closed due to COVID-19

Offerings

Giving	Pledge	Additional	Per Capita
YTD Budget 09/06/2020	\$77,436.69	\$36,692.31	\$1,361.00
YTD Received 09/06/2020	\$85,813.00	\$36,854.00	\$1,047.00

Pastor

Rev. Beth Wagner

The pastor’s schedule for the coming week is shown below.

Mon., 9/14: reserved for Sabbath rest
Tue., 9/15: working from home; attending Chicago Presbytery meeting via Zoom 4:00 pm
Wed., 9/16: working from home;
leading Pastor’s Study – *The Challenge of Dismantling Systemic Racism* via Zoom 7:00 pm
Thu., 9/17: working from home; attending Weekly Prayer Group via Zoom 1:00 pm;
leading Session meeting via Zoom 6:30 pm
Fri., 9/18: working from home; hosting UnWined with the Pastor via Zoom 4:00 pm and 5:00 pm
Sun., 9/20: leading worship via Facebook video 10:00 am
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Elders

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