

RINGING THE BELLS and ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Bill Wassner

OPENING MUSIC

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Pastor Mary Hurley

Leader: God has given us holy hands:

**People: Hands to hold a hurt child; embrace a lonely friend; care for one who is ill; to create a loving meal or a work of art.**

Leader: God has given us caring hearts:

**People: Hearts to care for the wounded and weary; to have compassion for one in need; to share God's love with the world.**

Leader: God has given us holy hands and caring hearts,

**People: We lift our hands and hearts to God this day in worship!**

\*OPENING HYMN "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" # 24 (1, 3, 5)

\*UNISON INVOCATION Pastor Mary

**Lord Jesus, we give thanks for work, and for the many works You have given us to do. Hear our prayers on this day of rest, and strengthen us for the week ahead. We pray that You would be present with those who work by day, and those who work by night; those who work near, and those whose work carries them far away; and we pray for those who in this uncertain time have no job. We pray all of this knowing that Your labors on our behalf never cease, and that Your yoke is easy, and Your burden is light. Amen.**

\*RESPONSE "Gloria Patri" (on screen)

MEROM MOMENT

MORNING PRAYER Pastor Bill

One: The Lord be with you.

**Many: And with you also.**

One: Let us pray...

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Pastor Mary

OFFERTORY "I Surrender All" (Raney) St. Paul's Quartet

\*DOXOLOGY "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" (on screen)

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Giving God, teach us to be more generous with the abundant gifts**

**You have given us so we will be rich in serving You. Use these offerings as earthly reminders of Your love for all. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Submit to God's will and God will bring the best out of you. Amen.**

\*SERMON HYMN "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" # 241

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 12: 9-21 (NLT) Pastor Mary

SERMON **THIS IS WORK!** Pastor Bill

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION "Jesus Calls Us" # 478 (1, 4, 5)

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

The Lord's Prayer (on screen)

\*CLOSING HYMN "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise" # 588

\*BENEDICTION Pastor Bill

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (on screen)

"O How He Loves You and Me"

\*RINGING THE BELLS

\*CLOSING MUSIC

### **The week ahead...**

#### **SUNDAY - 9/3 - Food Pantry Sunday**

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship with Communion
- 10:00 am Breakfast, Sunday School, Blood Pressures (Library)
- 11:00 am Discovery Worship with Communion

#### **MONDAY - 9/4 - Labor Day**

**BUILDING & OFFICE CLOSED**

#### **TUESDAY - 9/5**

- 8:00 am HeadStart
- 8:00 am Weight Watchers
- 9:00 am Women's Bible Study
- 9:30 am 4C Play & Learn
- 3:00 pm Open Gym
- 5:15 pm Weight Watchers

#### **WEDNESDAY - 9/6**

- 8:00 am HeadStart
- 9:30 am Senior Exercise Class
- 3:00 pm Open Gym
- 5:15 pm Women at the Well Bible Study
- 6:00 pm Handbell Choir
- 6:00 pm Discovery Music
- 7:00 pm Traditional Choir

#### **THURSDAY - 9/7**

- 8:00 am HeadStart
- 9:30 am Discovery Bible Study
- 1:00 pm Ladies' Aid
- 3:00 pm Open Gym

#### **FRIDAY - 9/8**

- 8:00 am HeadStart
- 9:30 am Senior Exercise Class

#### **SUNDAY - 9/10 - Rally Day**

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship
- 9:30 am Praise Singers practice
- 10:00 am Discovery Music practice
- 10:00 am Breakfast, Sunday School, Rally Day refreshments (Parish Hall)
- 11:00 am Discovery Worship with Baptism
- 12:00 pm Youth Group
- 12:00 pm Gym Reserved

### **Those who serve...**

#### **Nursery Attendants**

##### **September 3**

- 9:00 am & S.S. Hour  
Stacey Henderson
- 11:00 am Stacey Henderson & Ruth Smith

##### **September 10**

- 9:00 am & S.S. Hour  
Stacey Henderson
- 11:00 am Stacey Henderson & Janine Koehler

#### **Greeters**

##### **September 3**

- 9:00 am Judy Carr, Barb Marr
- 11:00 am Lisa Huck, Nancy Hile

##### **September 10**

- 9:00 am Kathy & Larry Vonderahe
- 11:00 am Shannon Jackson, Karla Smith

#### **Ushers**

#### **September**

- 9:00 am Louis Buschkill, Captain; Bob Dreier, Darlene Dycus, Jim Geiser
- 11:00 am Earl Smith, Captain; Mike O'Nan, Jacob Jackson, Keith Krietenstein

#### **Deacon (offering)**

#### **September**

- 9:00 am Louie Buschkill
- 11:00 am Dirck Stahl

### **Merom Moment**

#### **144 ENVELOPES**

We have 144 numbered envelopes available in the Parish Hall starting September 3rd. Take a numbered envelope and return that envelope with that number of dollars in it.

**(For example: Take envelope #73 and return it with \$73 in it!)**

If we get all the envelopes filled, we will have raised \$10,000!! That is enough to take most of our youth to attend the Merom spring retreat, fall retreat, and summer camp for the 2017-18 year.

# Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Traditional Worship  
September 3, 2017  
9:00 AM

Rev. Dr. William J. Wassner, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Mary Hurley, Associate Pastor  
Andrea Williams, Director of Traditional Music  
Kasey Gathercole & Katie Maurer, Co-Directors of Discovery Music  
Rick Hobbs, organist † Katie Maurer, pianist

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