## COVENANT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SEPTEMBER 15, 2019 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Ringing the Bell and Lighting the Candle

Prelude "Go Rest High on the Mountain" and "This Little Light of Mine"

Winnebagoland Barbershop Chorus

## **UMW** Purpose

The organized unit of the United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in global ministries of the church.

Welcome

\*Opening Prayer (unison)

Eternal God, we have gathered here in your sanctuary this morning as members of your family to worship you as our Living God. Community-making God, you have called us to be in community with each other. Enable us to center ourselves for renewal in your presence, commitment to your mission, and ministry with the least of these, here and around the world. Equip us with your Holy Spirit to witness to your love and power, healing and reconciliation, nurturance and new life. Inspire us once again to be the tellers of the old, old story in ever new contexts, that Jesus has come so that all may have life, in fact, more than life, Life in its Fullness, through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

\*Hymn of the Day

"We've a Story to Tell the Nations"

#569 (UMH)

Special Mission Recognition

Time for Youth and Children

\*Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:33

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

Message

"Answering God's Call"

Gwen Gibson

\*Hymn

"He Touched Me"

#367 (UMH)

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Moment for Mission

Northcott Neighborhood House

Today's loose offering supports this mission.

Offering

Our guests should not feel obligated to contribute to our offering.

Offertory

\*Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #

#94 (UMH)

\*The Prayer of Dedication (unison)

God of mission, we thank you for your gifts that surround us. Out of our gratitude to your faithful love, we give ourselves and this token of monetary gift for the furtherance of your mission. Bless our gifts that they may be multiplied for the transforming ministries of the world. In your name, we pray. Amen.

\*Closing Hymn

"Because He Lives"

#364 (UMH)

\*Sending Forth

Postlude

## Our mission is making disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World.

Today's WorshipTeam

Guest Speaker: Gwen Gibson Liturgist: Marilynn Roessler

Ushers: Bill Kelley, Dave Miller and Marilyn Stillings

Children's Time: Denise Retzleff

Video and Sound: Kelly Braun, Carol Schumacher



We ask for prayers for health, wisdom, encouragement, and strength to be raised to God for the following, in God's name we pray . . . as well as for all our unspoken prayer concerns.

Chris Deaner-Rogers, Paul Mulholland, Bob O'Hagan, Sandy Kilmer, Diane Weider, Sherry Duley, Ruth Case, Miriam Wicke, Dick Welch, Diane Jewson, Mary Libertine, Donna Born, Yolanda Mason.

## The report from the Last Week

Attendance: 87 Regular Giving: \$1999.00 UMCOR: \$262.58 Other: \$263.40

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