



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY
September 30, 2018—19th Sunday after Pentecost

Events This Week

Today

10:00 a.m., Worship
11:00 a.m., Fellowship

Monday, October 1

12:00 Noon, Lectionary Study Group w/Pastor Bob

Tuesday, October 2

9:30 a.m., Leta's Legacy Quilters

Wednesday, October 3

10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m., Flu Shot Clinic

Thursday, October 4

9:00 a.m., Choir Rehearsal
10:00 a.m., Worship and Music Committee
10:30 a.m., Hand Bell Rehearsal
10:30 a.m., Coffee with Pastor Bob

Friday, October 5

12:00 Noon, Fellowship Committee

Sunday, October 7

10:00 a.m., Worship (Communion)
11:00 a.m., Fellowship
1:00 p. m., Sea Aire

Welcome to YCPC!!!

We are an inclusive, welcoming, come-as-you are, Christ centered community of faith. As such, we recognize that those who worship with us come from many different faith traditions, and some from no tradition at all. Accordingly, our worship is fairly informal and we encourage you to engage with it in whatever way you feel comfortable.

We are a spiritual community of different minded believers, sharing one heart. We strive for justice and peace among all people, and bring support and hope to those that Jesus called the least of his sisters and brothers.

We invite everyone to join in our worship, our communion, and our community. "Everyone" includes believers and agnostics, conventional Christians and questioning skeptics, LGBTQ and straight, females and males, Jews and Gentiles, the despairing and the hopeful, and any other descriptor that may fit you.

We extend a special welcome to all who are visiting. Please sign our guest book in the narthex. If this is your first visit, please select an agate from the basket. Please also print your name and mailing address in a red attendance book located in each row of the sanctuary.

Large print bulletins are on the east and west tables in the narthex. Personal PA receivers for the hearing impaired can be obtained by speaking with one of the ushers.

Join us for fellowship immediately following morning worship. This is a time for coffee and conversation.

We're glad you're here!



Rev. Bob Barrett, Pastor
Jeannine Janson, Administrative Assistant
Milo Graamans, Music Director, Organist/Pianist
John Waide, Pastor Emeritus

Welcome

A Time of Centering

As we move through life
finding ourselves,
always newly wise and newly foolish,
we ask that our mistakes be small and not hurtful.
We ask that as we gain experience
we do not forget our innocence,
for they are both part of the whole.

Orlanda R. Brugnola

Introit.....*God Is Here Today*

Call to Worship^ (responsive)

Who among you is seeking the wisdom of God?
We long to hear God's Word spoken to our hearts.
Who among you is seeking God's bright and holy truth?
We long to learn the ways of wisdom and righteousness.
Who among you is seeking a Spirit-filled life?
We long to live lives of holiness and light.
God grants God's wisdom generously to all who ask.
Come near, people of God!
Let us worship in wisdom and truth.

Opening Prayer^

God of holy wisdom,
we are seekers on the way to a deeper wisdom and a wider vision.
Our lives are full of information and opinions,
but in the midst of it all we long to hear the voice of wisdom –
Your wisdom, God –
cutting through the noise and teaching us how to live.

God, we have come here this morning to learn wisdom from
your Word, from your Holy Spirit, and from one another.
We have come so that wisdom may call us out of the darkness
and into the light. We have come to have the deeper, richer,
wisdom-filled life that you have promised to each of us.

O God, make us ready to hear the Words spoken to our hearts
this morning. Call us to hear your wisdom and grant us the
courage to respond.

Hymn #27.....*Sacred the Body*

Call to Reconciliation

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^<https://jesusscribbles.wordpress.com/2012/09/19/wisdom-call-to-worship-prayers>

^^<https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2015/09/prayer-of-confession-salt-of-earth.html>

^^^<https://www.catholicdoors.com/prayers/english2/p00825.html>

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Prayer of Reconciliation (in unison)^^ inspired by Mark 9:50

*Salt is good for seasoning.
But if it loses its flavor, how do you make it salty again?
Mark 9:50*

**Merciful God,
You call us to be salt of the earth and light of the world.
We confess that our witness is often bland and gloomy.
Forgive us when we fail to be an influence for good,
and when we condone or do what is wrong in Your sight.
Help us to flavor the earth with righteousness and to
reflect the light of Your love in a dark world; through
Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.
(silence)**

The Assurance of Pardon (responsive)^^

The good news is that Christ calls us to new life and enables us to begin again and again and again and again.
Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God!!!**

Congregational Response*Gloria Patri
Glory be to the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end amen. As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.*

Sharing the Peace

*Let us be salt and light to each other,
giving and receiving forgiveness in the name of Christ.*

Anthem.....*It Is Well with My Soul*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson.....**James 5:13-20**

Second Lesson.....**Mark 9:38-50**

Hear what the Spirit of God is saying to you today!!!
Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Hymn #469.....*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Prayer of Commitment^^^ (inspired by Mark 9:33-37)

**Lord Jesus, you have said that your followers must
be the light to the world. Light propagates itself,
dispels darkness. It sows rays of joy and hope.
It is life-giving.**

**Help me, Lord, to be a light to this world, so that
my life radiates your message of love, hope, and joy.
May I be the beacon leading to You those who seek truth.**

**You also said, Lord Jesus, that your disciples must be
the salt to this earth. Salt gives taste to food.
It retards spoilage. It is also a healing agent.**

**Lord, may I be the salt that takes away the blandness
in the routine of living, that prevents the rottenness
of hatred and greed from expanding around me,
that brings compassionate healing to anguished souls
I encounter.**

**Lord, help me to be "worth my salt."
And infuse your "saltiness" in me,
so that I do not become "flat" and useless.**

The Offering

Offertory

Response #608.....*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Prayer of Dedication

Call to Prayer #466.....*Come and Fill Our Hearts*

The Community Prays.....*In Thanksgiving For Ourselves, For Others*

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

Sending Song #821.....*My Life Flows On*

Benediction^^^

Go now and celebrate wherever God's name is honored.
When suffering comes, pray in faith.
In times of joy, sing songs of praise.
Persevere in prayer and action
to bring the fallen back to the truth.

And may God save you from all that would harm you;
May Christ Jesus heal you and raise you up;
and may the Holy Spirit anoint you
and give you peace with one another.

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,
...In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

Ushers: Hannah Barrett, Pam Luderitz

Worship Assistant: Elaine Harley

Flowers: Cicely Bernard, in honor of her grandmother June Klautd

Refreshments: Louis, Betsy and Brenda Maxfield

Pray for: Stan Pomeroy, Karl Evans, Sheryl Young, Gerald Stanley

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Flu Shot Clinic at YCPC . . . THIS Wednesday, October 3,
10:00 a.m.— 2:00 p.m.,** Fellowship Hall. Vaccine Information and the form you would complete before your shot are in the Fellowship Hall on the table beneath the Birthdays/Anniversaries board. See also Sue Finlayson if you have questions.

Hand Bell Rehearsals, Thursday October 4 and 11, 10:30 a.m., right after choir practice. Do you play the English hand bells? Or do you want to? Join us and read through a couple of new hand bell arrangements, which might be performed at a church service sometime in October. The ability to read music is useful, but if you don't, you'll be able to pick up your part by rote with a few rehearsals. Come and join the group and make some beautiful music on English hand bells.

**Lectionary Study Group tomorrow (Monday), October 1,
12:00 Noon.** Upcoming Lectionary is Proper 22B; texts for discussion are: Job1:1, 2:1-10; Psalm 26; Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16. **Bring your lunch!**

Coffee with Pastor Bob on Thursday, October 4, 10:30. Join us for informal discussion on a variety of subjects of interest to our congregation, our church and our world.

For individual get-togethers with Pastor Bob, there is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall.

Special Mission Giving for the month of September is the Deacons' Discretionary Fund. **Envelopes for your gifts are in the bulletins.** Contributions to the Deacons' Discretionary Fund make it possible for the Deacons to help church and community families with one-time assistance for rent, electric and water bills, and even car payments, health insurance and the purchase of medical equipment. **See the board in the narthex for more information about the Deacons and their Discretionary Fund.**

South Lincoln Resources Holiday Food Baskets. A container is in the narthex for food donations for the South Lincoln Resources Holiday Food Baskets. Canned and packaged food requests for the baskets include: stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, apple sauce, green beans, corn, yams, Jell-O, soups, tuna, peanut butter. **If you would like to donate money** for food for the Baskets, please make your check payable to YCPC with "SLR Food Baskets" in the memo line. **Applications for the Food Baskets** are in the office. **Deadlines** for the applications are: November 2 for Thanksgiving and November 30 for Christmas.