

Unity Moravian Church

October 25, 2020

Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost

THE CONGREGATION GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

RESERVED PARKING

Fruit of the Spirit

CCLI Song # 3375363 | written by Terry Butler

We need to be filled with the Spirit
To walk in the Spirit
Be led by the Spirit of God

Just like a tasty banana apple or pear
Our hearts bear good fruit
When His Spirit lives there

I'm talking about love joy peace patience
Kindness goodness faithfulness
Gentleness and self control

HEARING GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

LITURGY

Love your neighbor as yourself

[Dana Myers](#)

The fruits of the Spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Lord, grant us the fruits of the Spirit that our lives may fully reflect your life and way.

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of love.

We would follow you Lord, but first: This persistent woman who pleads for her daughter, shall we not send her away?

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of joy.

We would follow you Lord, but first: Are you going to choose me above these others when your kingdom comes?

*You shall not render an unjust judgment;
you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great:
with justice you shall judge your neighbor.
You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people,
and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor:
I am the LORD.*

(Leviticus 19: 15 – 16)

HYMN

Lord, we come to ask your blessing

Text: Fred Pratt Green

Tune: BEACH SPRING

1. *Lord, we come to ask your blessing on the love that makes us one;
Here, as Christians, to acknowledge you are Lord, and you alone.
God of love, unless you bless us, how can we each other bless?
Only as you live within us is there depth of happiness.*

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of peace.

We would follow you Lord, but first: These people who are against us, shall we not draw our swords?

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of patience.

We would follow you Lord, but first: These annoying children asking questions, shall we not send them home to their parents?

*You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin;
you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself.
You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people,
but you shall love your neighbor as yourself:
I am the LORD.*

(Leviticus 19:17-18)

HYMN

BEACH SPRING

2. *Through the mercy of forgiveness you have set our spirits free;
Grant us, Lord, divine direction in the years that are to be.
May our loving be a sharing of the gifts we each possess;
May no failure of forbearance turn our love to bitterness.*

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of faithfulness.

We would follow you Lord, but first: This hungry, unprepared crowd that hounds us, shall we send them away before the markets close?

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of gentleness.

We would follow you Lord, but first: This blind man who keeps yelling at us, shall we not tell him to be silent?

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of self-control.

We would follow you Lord, but first: These people who offend us and offend you to our face, shall we not pray for fire to rain down on them from heaven?

"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?"

Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment.

And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" (Matthew 22:36-39)

HYMN

*3. Lord, we come to ask your blessing in the presence of our friends:
Grant us joy that blesses others, grant us love that never ends.
Through the mercy of forgiveness you have set our spirits free;
Grant us, Lord, divine direction in the years that are to be.*

THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

Isaiah 29: 11 – 16, 18 – 20

[Dana Myers](#)

Liturgist: The Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

RESERVED PARKING

These Thousand Hills

By Steve Atwell, Mark Blackburn and Jerry Davison
CCLI Song # 788534

These thousand hills roll ever on
Footprints of a mighty God
They bring me to my knees in praise
Amazing love, amazing grace

'Twas on a hill my Savior died
A broken heart and bleeding side
Hill of the Skull, Mount Calvary
The blood He shed, He shed for me

When Heaven's hills at last I roam
Forever settled in my home
I'll join the saints around your throne
Your kingdom, Lord, rolls ever on

These thousand hills roll ever on
Footprints of a mighty God
They bring me to my knees in praise
Amazing love, amazing grace

These thousand hills roll ever on
Ripples of the coming storm
The morning star precedes the dawn
These thousand hills roll ever on

TEXT FOR THE DAY

[Luke 17: 1 – 6](#)

THE MESSAGE FOR TODAY

[“Living Together As Christians”](#)

SILENT REFLECTION

INTERLUDE

RESERVED PARKING

Let Justice Roll

By Bobby Gilles, Rebecca Elliott
CCLI Song # 4974842

Forgive us Lord for passing by when children cry for bread
Forbid it Lord that justice lie in tatters cold and dead
Outside these walls run desperate streets where greed is law and life is cheap
We bar the doors refuse to see or hear the words You said
Let justice roll like a river, Like a river let it roll.

Convict us Lord we dance and laugh ignoring those who weep
Correct us Lord, our golden calf has lulled our hearts to sleep
The gap between the rich and poor grows ever wider shore to shore
There's racial hate, religious war, and wolves among the sheep
Let justice roll like a river, Like a river let it roll.

Indwell us Lord and purify our hands to work for You
Enlist us Lord to serve nearby and 'cross the waters too
Your image-bearers on the earth will never know how much they're worth
Unless we love and help them first and show the way to You
Let justice roll like a river, Like a river let it roll.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

WORSHIP BY GIVING

[For online giving: You may use the Moravian Ministries Foundation giving portal available to us at <https://mmfa.info/giving-portal/> Or, as always, you may send a check via U.S. Mail to the church]

CONCERNS AND JOYS FOR THE COMMUNITY, NATION AND WORLD

(Interprovincial Awareness Sunday Of The Violence Against Women)



UNITY WOMEN'S DESK
Global Change through Moravian Women

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

PRAYER RESPONSE

“Spirit of God Who Dwells Within My Heart”

Hymn 490

*Spirit of God, who dwells within my heart, wean it from sin, through all its pulses move.
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as you are, and make me love you as I ought to love.*

FOLLOWING OUR LAMB INTO THE WORLD

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

HYMN 687

God, Teach Us Peacemaking

SLANE

1. *God, teach us peacemaking, justice and love.
Blessed by Christ's teaching, we're lifted above
all thought of vengeance of envy or hate.
Help us, your children, shalom to create.*
2. *God teach us peacemaking in church and home,
in school and hall beneath Capitol dome,
in shop and industry, city and farm
show us the pathways that cause no one harm.*

3. God, teach us peacemaking in every role.
In each relationship make peace our goal.
Yet give us insight that keeps us aware
justice and mercy in balance to share.
4. God, teach us peacemaking unto the end,
parent or child, or as stranger or friend,
fill all our hearts with the pow'r of shalom,
living together, the whole world our home.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee”

arr. G. Young

RESERVED PARKING: Ruth Burcaw, Randy Nofle, Mel Howell, Jake Burcaw and Kathleen Sawtelle

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Watchword Text for the Year

*Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people,
may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. II Corinthians 4:15*

In essentials **UNITY**, in non-essentials, **LIBERTY**, in all things, **LOVE!**

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