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Gathering

PRELUDE *Elegy* Gordon Young

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *Please sign the fellowship pad*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord.

Happy are those who keep God's decrees, who seek the Lord with their whole heart.

O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping God's statutes!

Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on the commandments of the Lord.

Let us worship God.

*OPENING HYMN *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* #32

CALL TO CONFESSION

Our God is a loving God. Therefore, let us confess our sins that we may choose life and live.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that we bow down before other gods; we have turned our hearts away from you. Our worship of work and devotion to consumerism disorders our love of you and each other. Forgive us, God, and mend what is broken, that we may be one with you. Amen.

(Prayers continue in silence)

SUNG RESPONSE *O Lord, Hear My Prayer* #471

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Sisters and brothers, by the mercy of Christ, our sins are forgiven. Sing praises with an upright heart as we learn the ways of God.

ANTHEM *Teach Me, O Lord* Thomas Attwood

TIME WITH CHILDREN Children are invited to gather up front
(Children ages 0-2nd grade could go to the childcare room. All others are invited to stay in worship with their families)

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 119:1-8

Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord. Happy are those who keep his decrees, who seek him with their whole heart, who also do no wrong, but walk in his ways.

You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently. O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes! Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your commandments. I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your righteous ordinances. I will observe your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.

New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

And so, brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human? What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

*HYMN *The Church's One Foundation* #321

SERMON "Working Together" Rev. Marta Ukropina

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from A Brief Statement of Faith
We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Responding to God's Word

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

Special Souper Bowl of Caring Food Collection

OFFERTORY *Near to the Hear of God* McAfee/ Smith

*SUNG RESPONSE *Glory Be to the Father* #581
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sending of God's Word

*CLOSING HYMN *We are One in the Spirit* #300

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *The Church's One Foundation* Wesley/ Hayes

**indicates those who are able may stand. Congregational responses are in bold...*

TODAY, **February 12th is Super Bowl Sunday**, but did you know it is also SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY? No matter who you are rooting for in the big game or even if you don't watch football, EVERYONE can root for the SOUPER BOWL. Our Youth Group will once again be participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring, a national event in which youth groups tackle hunger in their local communities. Our Youth will be collecting canned goods and monetary donations today during worship to benefit *Food for Lane County*. Monetary donations can be placed in the soup pots, which the youth will be holding, as you exist the sanctuary today. When we bring in our canned goods, we can help make sure everyone is a Souper Bowl Champion as we tackle hunger together.

Ash Wednesday is February 22nd and we will worship together at **6:00PM**. Worship will include the sacrament of communion and the imposition of ashes. What a wonderful way to begin our Lenten journeys together.



Lenten Small Group- Join us Mondays during Lent at 7PM for a Lenten Small Group led by Martha Zaborowski. We will be using Donald McKim's book, *Living into Lent*. The book offers daily readings and reflections and centers us in God's Word using the Spiritual Practice of Lectio Divina. Please purchase your book ahead of time and bring it with you to the first group. Amazon or Thriftbooks have the best prices. Please call or email the church office to let us know if you will be attending. 541-343-3140 / office@wpceugene.org

The **Men's Breakfast Group** meets Wednesday mornings at 8 a.m. for breakfast in the meeting room at Countryside Pizza & Grill. 645 River Rd, Eugene. They enjoy good food, fellowship, prayer, great discussions and getting to know one another. We support various activities around the church such as taking our turn at serving coffee hour after Sunday service, we supply the flowers for the sign at the corner of Harlow and Coburg and do the cleanup and planting a couple times a year, we contribute to the Bazaar, and we host a church-wide Corn Feed in the fall. Contact Kyle Coats: coatskyle1@gmail.com

Do you love music? Do you want to meet new friends or get to know other church members better all while having fun? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then choir may be for you! All experience levels are welcome--all that is required is a willingness to come and sing! Choir practices on Wednesday evenings at 7PM in the sanctuary. Teenagers through adults are welcome. Come join us as we sing our praises to God through song. Questions? Contact WPC Music Director Michael Mercatante: Michael@wpceugene.org

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday 2/12/2023

10:00 am Worship and Souper Bowl of Caring Collection
 11:00 am Coffee Hour hosted by: N/A
 11:15 am John Mahon's Adult Bible Study (Meeting Room)
 5:00 pm AA Meeting (Meeting Room)

Monday 2/13/2023

9:00 am Preschool
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Meeting

Tuesday 2/14/2023- Happy Valentine's Day

9:00 am Preschool
 9:00 am Parkinson's Support Group (Fellowship Hall)
 11:00 am WPC Knitter's (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday 2/15/2023

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Group at Countryside Pizza & Grill
 9:00 am Preschool
 9:15 am Preschool Chapel
 10:30 am Pioneer Quilters (Fellowship Hall)
 7:00 pm Choir Practice

Thursday 2/16/2023

9:00 am Preschool
 9:15 am Preschool Chapel
 9:30 am Townscape Walkers (contact Julia Frederick for location)
 4:00 pm Preschool Open House
 5:30 pm PW Evening Meeting (Meeting Room)

Friday 2/17/2023- Church Office Closed

9:00 am Preschool

Saturday 2/18/2023- Church Office Closed

Leading in worship today:

Pastor: Rev. Marta Ukropina
 Music Director: Michael Mercatante
 Usher/Greeter: Gene Heinle, Don Hirst, Eileen Sanders, Lin Hirst
 Counters: Anita Brown and Jennifer Stanton
 Coffee Hour: N/A

Next Sunday:

Pastor: Rev. David Ukropina
 Music Director: Michael Mercatante
 Usher/Greeter: Mike Bagaason, Kyle Coats and Judy Coats
 Counters: Eileen Sanders and Karen Young
 Coffee Hour: Deacons Group 4



6th Sunday after Epiphany
February 12, 2023
10:00 am

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