

September 26, 2021

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time Liturgical Color: Green



Welcome to the church we love! As Terre Haute's first established congregation, we maintain a 194-year tradition of service to God in our community. We pray you will encounter the Spirit in worship with us.

We ask that you sit as nearly as possible where we have placed bulletins. Family units of any size may certainly sit together.

We ask that if at any moment you begin to feel ill, if possible, you immediately leave the sanctuary.

We offer nursery care for children aged birth through three years. We welcome children of all ages to worship with us throughout the service. For those that desire, Children's Worship follows the Children's Lesson. This is truly a time of age-appropriate worship.

Children's activity bags are available at the back of the sanctuary. Guest bags are available.

The ushers are available to help with any questions or needs.

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Prayer of the Day

*Loving God, you sent Jesus Christ for us,
to show your power and speak the truth.
By your grace, keep us from stumbling,
so that we might enter your eternal realm;
through Christ, teacher of righteousness.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

GATHERING

As we transition into a full in person worship we at this time will sing "conversationally". That is, we ask that all sing at a quiet speaking volume.

Prelude *Autumn* Chaminade

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Please speak all responsive parts aloud but quietly.

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

People: Serve the Lord with gladness!

Leader: Come into God's presence with singing!

People: Enter the courts of the Lord with praise!

Leader: Let us worship the Lord, our God.

*HYMN #667 *When Morning Guilds the Skies*

LAUDES DOMINI

GOD CALLS US TO CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: If we claim to have no sin,
we lie and the truth is not in us.

**People: If we confess our sins,
God is faithful and just,
and will forgive and cleanse us
from all unrighteousness.**

Leader: Let us confess our sins before God.

*CONFESSION OF SIN

**Almighty God: you love us,
but we have not loved you;
you call, but we have not listened.
We walk away from neighbors in need,
wrapped up in our own concerns.
We have gone along with evil, prejudice,
warfare and greed.
God of grace, help us to face up to ourselves,
so that as you move toward us in mercy,
we may repent, turn to you
and receive forgiveness.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Among baptism's symbolic meanings is the reminder that Jesus atoned for our sins. We pour water into the baptismal font just before the Assurance of Pardon to dramatize Jesus' washing us clean.

(Pause for silent reflection.)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Who is in a position to condemn?
Only Christ, and Christ died for us,
Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power over us,
Christ prays for us.
If anyone is in Christ,
that one becomes a new person
altogether—
the past has finished and gone,
all has become fresh and new.
Friends: believe the Good News
of the Gospel.

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Hallelujah!**

*RESPONSE

Gloria Patri

GLORIA PATRI

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.

*THE PEACE

See John 20:19, 21, 26

(We will pass the peace in place. You may turn to extend your wishes to those nearby.)

Since God has forgiven us in Christ,
let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you
all.

And also with you.

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S LESSON

Ellie Templeton

Children, may remain in the pew with your family or come forward and sit in a designated spot. Following the lesson children from age 4 years through 1st grade may follow the adult leaders to the side exit for Children's Worship.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 126

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.
Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy;

then it was said among the nations,
“The LORD has done great things for them.”
The LORD has done great things for us,
and we rejoiced.
Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
like the watercourses in the Negeb.
May those who sow in tears
reap with shouts of joy.
Those who go out weeping,
bearing the seed for sowing,
shall come home with shouts of joy,
carrying their sheaves.

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING
5:13-20

James

Are any among you suffering? They should pray.
Are any cheerful?
They should sing songs of praise.
Are any among you sick?
They should call for the elders of the church
and have them pray over them,
anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord.
The prayer of faith will save the sick,
and the Lord will raise them up;
and anyone who has committed sins
will be forgiven.
Therefore confess your sins to one another,
and pray for one another,
o that you may be healed.
The prayer of the righteous is powerful
and effective.
Elijah was a human being like us,
and he prayed fervently that it might not rain,
and for three years and six months
it did not rain on the earth.

Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain
and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters,
if anyone among you wanders from the truth
and is brought back by another,
you should know that whoever
brings back a sinner from wandering
will save the sinner's soul from death
and will cover a multitude of sins.

SERMON *Proceed Accordingly* Rev. Mike Riggins

***RESPONSE** from the Confession of
1967

**In Jesus Christ, God was reconciling
the world to himself.
Jesus Christ is God with humanity.
He is the eternal Son of the Father,
who became human and lived among us
to fulfill the work of reconciliation.
He is present in the church
by the power of the Holy Spirit
to continue and complete his mission.
This work of God, the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit,
is the foundation of all confessional statements
about God, humanity, and the world.
Therefore the church calls all to be reconciled
to God and to one another.**

GOD CALLS US TO RESPOND TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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.**

OFFERING

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Smith

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

***HYMN #643**

Now Thank We All Our God

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*** BENEDICTION**

*** CHORAL RESPONSE**

*** POSTLUDE**

Chorale Postlude

J. S.

Bach

Liturgist: Phillip Smith

CALENDAR

Sun.	10:30 a.m.	Worship service
	Herald	Deadline – please submit your articles to the church office
	6:00 p.m.	High Point Youth at Centenary United Methodist
Wed.	11:15 a.m.	Staff meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Personnel committee
	7:30 p.m.	Bible study and beer
Thurs.	10:00 a.m.	Seekers and Searchers Bible study in fellowship hall
Fri. –	7:00 p.m. –	Pyoca Family Retreat
Sun.	12:00 p.m.	

For updated information please consult the main church calendar, which may be found online at our church website (www.thcpc.org).



Check us out on Facebook

Dad Jokes Wanted!!

Highpoint youth is assembling a "Dad Joke" calendar as a fundraiser. Email Ellie or Tim all of your dad jokes, puns and other funny words of wisdom from your good ol' dad! Ellie@thcpc.org or tim@thcpc.org

HYGIENE ITEMS NEEDED The Mission Committee has been exploring new ways we might help those in need in our community. Manna from 7 and the United Campus Ministries food pantries report that they need personal hygiene items, especially hygiene items for women. We would invite our CPC congregation to help by donating these necessities. We will provide a well-marked tub in the Fellowship Hall to receive items that will be given to Manna and UCM distribution sites. We will collect throughout September. Please help. Thank you.

Our **Matthew 25 Sessions** on being a welcoming and inclusive church have begun! These sessions are open to all adults and high school age youth. Class is from 9:30-10:20am and will be held in our Fellowship Hall on September 26, October 10 and October 17.

Following our three Matthew 25 inclusion meetings, Andrew Conner will lead a discussion series "Engaging Matthew 25 through film, Dismantling Structural Racism". Participants are to watch the films on their own in preparation for Sunday morning discussions. Films are available on most streaming services and at the public library.

The film's discussed will be as follows:

- 12 Years A Slave
- If Beale Street Could Talk
- Selma
- Do The Right Thing
- The Hate U Give

Adults and high school youth (with parent permission) are invited to join the series.

Church Staff

Rev. Mike Riggins, Pastor

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Mr. Steve McCullough, Organist

Mr. Tim Ghogle, Youth Director

Mr. Alvin Stinnett, Caretaker & Bus Driver

Prayers for the Week

Morning

Shine upon my ways.

May I this day get nearer heaven.

May I feel at its close that I have done something for God

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something to promote the great end
for which existence was given me --
the glory of Thy holy name.

Amen

-- John Macduff (1818-1895)

Evening

Light of the world,
shine upon our minds and hearts.

Spirit of truth,
guide us into all truth.

Holy Father, sanctify us through Thy truth,
and make us wise unto salvation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

-- Lawrence Tuttiett (1825-1897)