

A Celebration of Christian Worship

Power

November 26, 2017

Musical preparation for worship

Michael

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: Give thanks to the Lord, proclaim God's greatness.

P: Tell the nations what God has done

L: Sing praise to the Lord.

P: Tell the wonderful things God has done.

L: Be glad that we belong to God.

P: Let all who worship God rejoice.

L: The Lord is our God; God's commands are for all the world.

P: God will keep his covenant forever, God's promises last for a thousand

generations. Praise the Lord!

Hymn #94 "Come, ye thankful people"

Children's Time

Kevin

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world. Every child in every land, Jesus holds them in his hand. Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Announcements

Offering

Hymn #384 "We give thee but thine own"

Scripture Isaiah 40:26-31

Congregational Question:

What power do you have, and how does it impact others?

Hymn of response SJ#30 "Jesus Christ is waiting" v. 1-3

Congregational Question:

Power=Force+ ___? ___

Hymn of response SJ#30 "Jesus Christ is waiting" v. 4-5

Passing the Friendship Register

Service responses, sharing of joys, and introduction of guests

Congregational prayer

Ben

Closing Hymn #71 "Joyful, joyful, we adore thee"

Blessing

Postlude

In lieu of applause, we encourage a hearty "AMEN."

Co-pastors: Bob Brown & Shannon Dycus

Faith Formation Coordinator & Pastoral Intern: Ben Tapper

Trustees: Gloria, Randy, Ralph

Care Team: Annette, Heidi, Ted, Linda, Robin, Mary, Kevin, Rachel, Ben

Worship Leader: Carol

Song Leader: Mary

Greeters: Rosner Family

Ushers: Ethel & Paul

Ministers: Each participant in the congregation

Join us for a time of fellowship following the worship service. Coffee and hot tea will be available during this time.

There are no Sunday school classes today.

Adult choir is meeting today during the Sunday school hour in the sanctuary. Jana Miller is the director.

Next Sunday, December 3

Sunday school conversations on grievance policy and 2018 budget will be held on December 3 and 10.

Today and upcoming at FMC

Today: Hosting begins this evening for Family Promise here at FMC

Friday, December 2: Women's Bible study meets each Friday at 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, December 3: First Sunday in Advent

Sunday, December 3: Food Pantry Sunday

Saturday, December 9: Women's Brunch and Cookie Exchange 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Sunday, December 17: Vote on Grievance Policy and 2018 budget

Sunday, December 17: Children's Christmas musical program

Birthdays

PRAYER CONCERNS - November 26, 2017

- Pray for John recovering from back surgery.
- Pray for Lynn and Maurice and families. Maurice's father is in hospice. Lynn's brother-in-law, Tom, has stage four lung cancer is also in hospice. Pray for comfort for all.
- Pray for Marie and family as her mother has been placed in hospice care.
- Pray for Laurel who had a procedure for a retina problem.
- Pray for Donna who learned recently that she has breast cancer. She is awaiting word on when her surgery will be done.
- Pray for the community of Sutherland Springs, Texas, after the incident at First Baptist Church, taking many lives.
- Pray for Erin who is struggling with severe anxiety. While there has been improvement, there are still concerns. Pray for both Erin and Mike as they work through this.
- Pray for Leslie as she continues to recover at home and receive therapy on a regular basis.

Please note that all prayer requests should be given to one of the pastors by 9:00 a.m. Friday morning. For Sunday morning additions, please speak to the person doing the congregational prayer before worship.

Isaiah 40:26-31 (NRSV)

Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these?
He who brings out their host and numbers them,
calling them all by name;
because he is great in strength,
mighty in power,
not one is missing.
Why do you say, O Jacob,
and speak, O Israel,
"My way is hidden from the LORD,
and my right is disregarded by my God"?
Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.
He gives power to the faint,
and strengthens the powerless.
Even youths will faint and be weary,

and the young will fall exhausted;
but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.

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