

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 5, 2018

We Gather

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: We have gathered in this place to worship,

People: Because Jesus invites us to come!

Leader: We come as we are,

People: With our faith and our doubts,

Leader: With our successes and our failures,

People: Because Jesus invites us to come!

Leader: We come with what we have

People: Bringing with us the events and experiences of this past week, because Jesus invites us to come.

Leader: Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

ALL: Let's worship God together.

*Opening Hymn

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*Opening Prayer

We Hear the Word

*Scripture Lesson Matthew 23:13-15, 25-28

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

(Children dismissed for Children's Worship)

Sermon (Don't) Give Me That Old Time Religion

We Respond

Prayers of the People

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Offering Response:

Seek ye first the kingdom of God,

And his righteousness.

And all these things shall be added unto you,

Allelu, alleluia.

*Prayer of Dedication

Communion

We Are Sent Into the World

*Hymn

*Benediction

*Response *(our tradition is to face and bless each other as we sing)*

The Lord bless you and keep you,

The Lord make his face to shine upon you

and be gracious, gracious, gracious to you,

the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,

And give you, give you, give you peace.

Leader: ...

People: Thanks be to God

Postlude

*Denotes all who are able, please stand

Helping Us to Worship

Ministers to the World:

The Congregation

Minister to the Congregation:

Rev. Jeannette Conver

Communion & Bread Provider:

Karen Zidovsky

Announcements

- **Sign Up Sheet:** With Summer finally here, the grass at church needs to be mowed. A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Thank you for your help. Questions, see Wayne Border or Doug Morrell.
- **Potluck Picnic, Sunday August 12:** After worship we will have an opportunity to spend time with our friends Ken and Donna Nitchie. They moved to Virginia a few months ago and will be in Vermont for a visit. Please let Carolyn Carlson (dwcvt47@comcast.net) know if you will be able to attend. It is always a great to enjoy food and fellowship together. Hope you are able to join us!
- **Sr. Meals at Covenant Community Church, August 13, 11:00-1:00:** If you would like to help, talk with Mary Sylver or Marcia Morrell.
- **Food Shelf--Mark your calendars please. Covenant Community Church is responsible for providing coverage for the August Food Shelf Set Up & Distribution.** Contributions can be brought in and left in the red shopping cart. Monetary donations can also be made. Questions on how you can help and participate, contact Bob Bates:
 - **Set Up, Thursday, August 16, 6:00PM** at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Route 15, Jericho, VT
 - **Distribution, Saturday, August 18, 8:30-11:30AM** at Good Shepherd

Welcome!

Greetings! And a warm welcome to you!

We are glad to have you here—we are better together.

If you are visiting us for the first time, please sign our guest book at the entrance, and complete a visitor's card

Please join us for coffee or tea after worship. We would like to get to know you.

Child care (infant through pre-K) is provided during the worship service.

We ask that you please pick up your child promptly after church.

This Week at Covenant Community Church

Sunday, August 5th

Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship—August 12, 2018

Greeter: Jamie Wimble

Church Cleaners: Wayne & Diane Border
(July 30-August 12)

If you have announcements, prayer requests or other special needs contact Pastor Jeannette Conner, 879-4313 (church) or Diane Border, church secretary (church 879-4313).

Upcoming Events

Sunday, August 12th

Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.

Potluck following worship, 11:30 a.m.

Monday, August 13th

Senior Meals at Covenant Community Church, 11:00 a.m.

Thursday, August 16th

Food Shelf Set Up, 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 18th

Food Shelf Distribution, 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, August 19th

Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.

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 sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever. Amen.

Matthew 23:13-15; 25-28 New Living Translation

¹³ “What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you shut the door of the Kingdom of Heaven in people’s faces. You won’t go in yourselves, and you don’t let others enter either.

¹⁵ “What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you cross land and sea to make one convert, and then you turn that person into twice the child of hell you yourselves are!

²⁵ “What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you are so careful to clean the outside of the cup and the dish, but inside you are filthy—full of greed and self-indulgence! ²⁶ You blind Pharisee! First wash the inside of the cup and the dish, and then the outside will become clean, too.

²⁷ “What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs—beautiful on the outside but filled on the inside with dead people’s bones and all sorts of impurity. ²⁸ Outwardly you look like righteous people, but inwardly your hearts are filled with hypocrisy and lawlessness.

Helping Us to Worship Continued..

Greeters:

Children’s Worship:

Mary Sylver

Isaak Olson