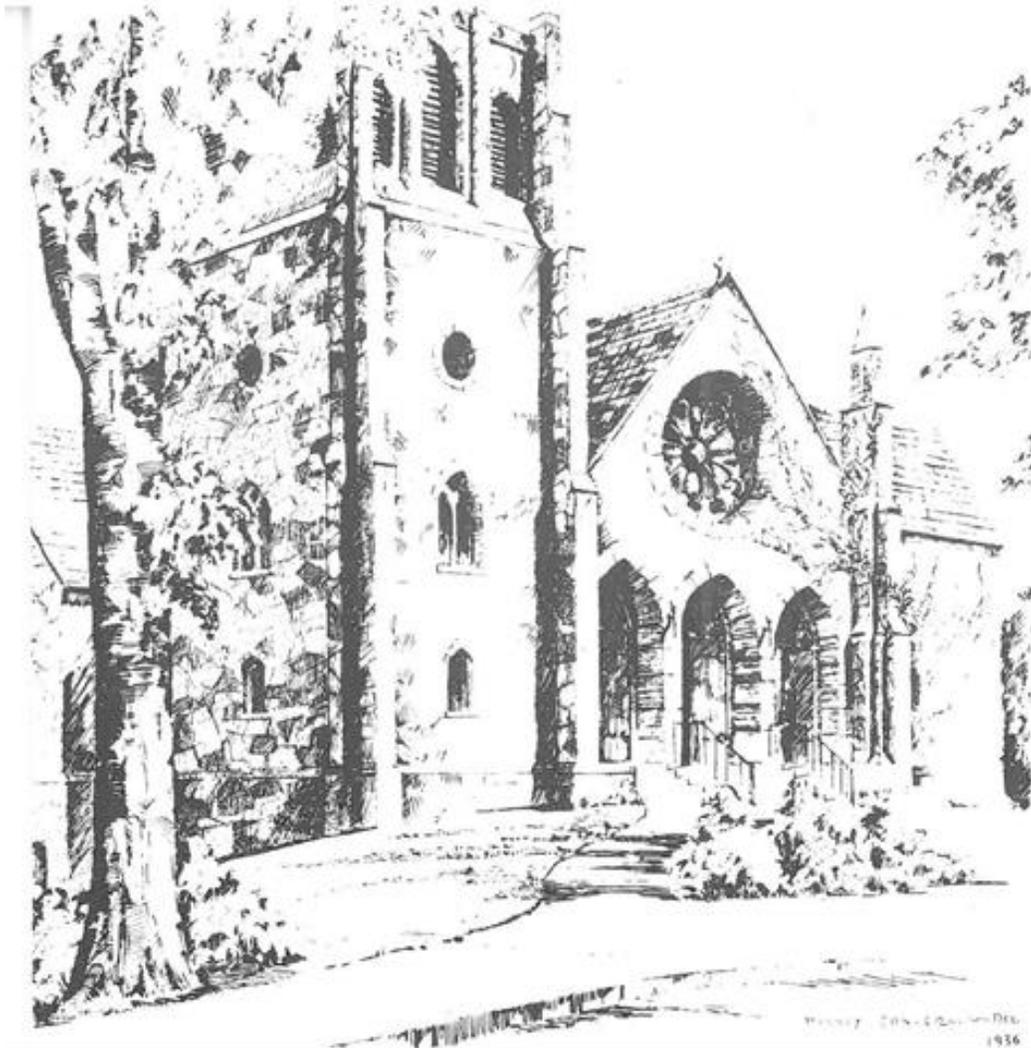


MORROW

MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST

CHURCH



May 2, 2021

Sunday Online Worship available at 7 a.m.
Available anytime on our YouTube Channel

Introit

Welcome and Greeting Ayo Akinnuoye

Call to Worship Rev. Brenda Wheeler Ehlers

O God, you are the gathering one

who calls us into community
with each other
to love and work,
to support and heal.

You are the gathering one

who calls us into community
with all people;
to bring justice and hope,
freedom and truth.

You are the gathering one

who calls those we have left on the side of the road
And draws us together with the whole creation;
to live in harmony,
to cherish and renew.

**Let us worship the God
who makes us one.**

Opening Hymn For Everyone Born Dr. Holland Jancaitis
(available in the back of the booklet)

Children's Time

Offering and Doxology

Announcements

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Scripture

Psalms 22:25-31 25 From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him. 26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD. May your hearts live forever! 27 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him. 28 For dominion belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations. 29 To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him. 30 Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord, 31 and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

Anthem Christ, the Vine (Robert J. Powell)

Scripture The Noonan family

Acts 8:26-40 26 Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) 27 So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship 28 and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah.

29 Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." 30 So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" 31 He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. 32 Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. 33 In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.

34 The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" 35 Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. 36 As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" 38 He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. 39 When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. 40 But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Hymn of Preparation An Outcast among Outcasts

Sermon

Holy Communion

Hymn O God, In Your Love

Benediction

Prayer List

We pray for:

- God's presence with those dealing with the increasing cases of Covid
- BIPOC communities and the challenges they face with policing
- zero tolerance of violence, hate, and the rhetoric born of white supremacy
- appropriate justice being served
- the safety of the Asian American Pacific Islander community, those mourning the death of loved ones, and that the senseless violence against them ceases
- the Boulder, CO community as they recover from the mass shooting and the families and friends who mourn the loss of loved ones
- the people of Myanmar and Mozambique and the world
- our children returning to school, their health, safety, inspiration to learn and joy in being together

We lift up...

- Sue Ellen Leys and her family on the death of her father, James Rohrer
- Mary Vayas who had surgery this week
- Mary Sue who is recovering from cataract surgery
- Gladys as she navigates several complicated health issues
- Angela who is taking chemo and experiencing complications
- Tom Baer who is dealing with a number of medical conditions and his wife Barbara who is struggling to care for him
- Carmen's friend who is navigating a difficult medical situation
- Gloria Doboy, Barbara Savino's aunt
- Soraya Kressler's mother, Ana Hernandez, in a Florida rehab after another fall and preparing to enter assisted living in NJ
- Sharon Burniston's sister-in-law, Patti Burniston, whose mother died of Covid

- Mike Hertl's mother and sister recovering from Covid
- Eric Woodson, dad of 3 young children, waiting for a heart for a transplant
- Rachael McCartney's mother, Marsha McCartney, going through chemo
- Suzanne, a friend of Tracy's, fighting cancer
- Ben and the Jaeckel family who are struggling with multiple issues and the sudden passing of Michael's sister
- Mel, Tracy's friend recovering from back surgery
- Melanie, and her children Mia, Erin, Alice on the loss of husband and father David (friends of Leigh and Scott Shultz)
- Bill and Carol Mitchell (friends of Chris Lindsey), Bill has COPD and pneumonia and other complications
- Barbara Illingworth as she continues to recover from post-surgery complications
- Anna Gracey, Susan's daughter, a teacher and all educators as they struggle to stay safe and healthy while transitioning back to the actual classroom
- Sue Ellen Leys, facing compounding complications after her surgery
- Paula Michelsen's mother who is dealing with health issues at home
- Jeanne Adams who has moved back to her Winchester Gardens apartment
- continued prayers for Alicia Gooding
- Amy Butterworth, Daisy and Miles Smiley grieving the death of their husband and father, Doug Smiley
- The Hernandez-Pemberton family
- Carmen and her family as she recovers from surgery
- Eva N. who is having a challenging recovery from surgery
- Bethany and baby Chloe, who is premature and dealing with seizures
- Judy Rogers who is recovering from surgery
- John, Maggie and the Jerger family as they mourn the passing of John's older brother, David, who succumbed to COVID complications
- Kathy Finch's sister, Susie, who's recovering from cancer surgery
- Judy's next-door neighbor, Rosemary, who is fighting cancer and not doing well
- Sarah Hoddinott who has finished radiation and getting chemotherapy
- Sue Profeta, who has completed her treatment
- Mary Sue's younger sister, Sarah, living in managed care
- Mary Sue's brother-in-law James Price, who is struggling with many health issues

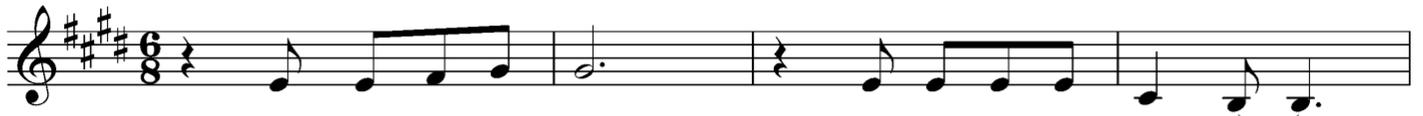
Continued prayers for

- All those waiting to be vaccinated
- Children, who we hope continue to learn and grow as they learn remotely
- Parents, who are managing their student's education and, in many cases, working as well
- everyone on the front lines, those who are compromised
- the grieving, the hungry, the homeless, the imprisoned
- the unemployed, the oppressed, the abused
- the depressed and the addicted
- our families
- you and for me
- the difference we can make in the world

Prayers of gratitude for:

- love and grace and mercy even when we cannot feel it
- all the healing we can -- and will -- bear witness to
- celebrating the miracles of medicine and safe vaccinating of all citizens
- patience in this process

For Everyone Born



1. For eve - ry - one born, a place at the ta - ble,___
 2. For wo - man and man, a place at the ta - ble,___
 3. For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,___
 4. For just and un - just a place at the ta - ble,___
 5. For eve - ry - one born, a place at the ta - ble,___



for eve - ry - one born,___ clean wa - ter and bread;___
 re - vis - ing the roles,___ de - ci - ding the share;___
 a voice to be heard,___ a part in the song. ___
 a - bus - er, a - bused,___ with need to for - give, ___
 to live with - out fear,___ and simp - ly to be, ___



a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,___
 with wis - dom and grace ___ di - vi - ding the pow - er,___
 the hands of a child ___ in hands that are wrin - kled,___
 in an - ger, in hurt,___ a mind - set of mer - cy,___
 to work, to speak out ___ to wit - ness and wor - ship,___



for eve - ry - one born,___ a star ___ o - ver - head.
 for wo - man and man,___ a sys - tem that's fair.
 for young and for old,___ the right ___ to be - long.
 for just and un - just,___ a new ___ way to live.
 for eve - ry - one born,___ the right ___ to be free.



And God ___ will de - light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice ___ and joy, ___



___ com - pas - sion and peace: yes, God ___ will de - light when we are cre -



a - tors of jus - tice, ___ jus - tice and joy.

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An Outcast among Outcasts

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1. An out-cast a-mong out - casts, dis-missed with dou-ble scorn,
2. An out-cast a-mong out - casts, where three were cru - ci - fied,
3. For out-casts a-mong out - casts the bound-aries are re-drawn,



be - lit - tled by the la - bels: "un-clean" and "for-eign born" —
de - rid - ed by the oth - ers as they hung side by side —
by words, "Your faith has saved you," by cross and Eas-ter dawn.



came back with thanks for Je - sus, and then went on his way:
came back from death with pow - er, God had the fi - nal say:
The dis - tant longed-for cen - ters of pow - er, peace, and care,



An out-cast a-mong out - casts showed grate - ful faith that day.
An out-cast a-mong out - casts shows God to us to - day.
where life is free to flour - ish, are found now ev - ery-where.

WORDS: Richard D. Leach (Matt. 27:38, 44; Mark 15:27, 32; Luke 17:11-19)
MUSIC: Welsh melody

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O God, In Your Love

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

William R. Featherstone, 1864

1. O God, in your love, you have made us u - nique:
2. Lord Je - sus, you came to bring God's love on earth;
3. O Christ, with your wel - come your church feels un - ease:
4. So may your church wel - come in lov - ing ac - cord

In gifts and trad - i - tions, in ser - vice we seek,
You wel - comed the out - casts and showed us our worth.
We stand at closed doors tight - ly hold - ing the keys.
All peo - ple who want to serve Je - sus our Lord.

In race and in cul - ture and fam - ily de - sign
You reached out to peo - ple whom oth - ers des - pised
Yet this is your bo - dy, the church that you love
O Spir - it, u - nite us in Je - sus the Son

Di - verse are the branch - es in Je - sus the Vine.
You said all are pre - cious in God's lov - ing eyes.
O Lord, do you weep for your church from a - bove?
In mis - sion and min - is - try, God, make us one.