

Worship on the Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 29, 2024

The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson, Designated Term Pastor
Organist Diane Dawson Dexter

Prelude

Welcome Dr. Anderson

Call to Worship Psalm 124:6 - 8
Praise the LORD, who has not given us as prey to our enemies.
We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the hunters.
The snare is broken, and we have escaped.
Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Prayer of the Day
Grant, O merciful God, that your church, being gathered by your Holy Spirit into one fellowship, may show forth your power and gracious love among all peoples, to the glory of your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever. Amen.

Hymn 139 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Prayer of Confession (based on Psalm 51)
Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your Holy Spirit. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Numbers 11:24-30

New Testament James 5:13-20

Sermon "Praying Again" Dr. Anderson

Hymn 581 "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service"

Offertory

Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication +
Dear God, for whom and through whom all things exist, you are the Sovereign of the universe! You have graciously named us among your beloved children and call us to live as brothers and sisters of Christ. May our gifts reach out to bring hope and grace to our near and distant neighbors, whom you know and love. We pray in the most excellent name of Jesus. Amen.

Sharing Thanksgiving and Prayer Concerns

Prayers of the Church and the Lord's Prayer (*trespasses*)

Hymn 117 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Benediction Dr. Anderson

Postlude

+ **Liturgical Resource Used with Permission:** Prayer of Dedication written by Dr. Rosanna Anderson, on the UMC Discipleship Ministries website, <https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/offertory-prayers-and-invitation-for-october-2015>

Church Calendar

Sunday, September 29 **Worship** 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
 Fellowship 11:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, October 2 **Bible Study** 9:00–10:00 a.m.
All are invited to join us as we discuss Chapter 5, “Petition: How to Ask God” in *How to Pray: A Simple Guide for Normal People* by Pete Greig. This is a hybrid group meeting onsite in the Parlor and online via Zoom. The link is on our website.
<https://fiunionchapel.org/event/how-to-pray-ask/>

Thursday, October 3 **Tots Time** 10:00–11:00 a.m.
Toddlers with their parents, grandparents, or babysitters are welcome to share in play time, refreshments and conversation.

Looking Forward:

Saturday, October 12 **Fall Fair** 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
How could you help make this a successful fundraiser for the church? Could you bake cookies or a pie for the bake sale, donate something for the silent auction, help with the plant table, work on preparing lunch for sale, assist with face painting, count and record the proceeds, or serve on the set up or clean up crew? Please talk with a member of the Church Council after worship.

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“Whoever you are and wherever you are on your faith journey, you are welcome here.”



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