Worship on the Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost October 20, 2024

The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson, Designated Term Pastor Organist Diane Dawson Dexter		
Prelude	"Air on the G String"	J. S. Bach

Welcome

Call to Worship

The presence of the Lord our God is magnificent.

Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due the divine name.

Worship the Lord in splendor; let the whole earth tremble in awe of God.

Prayer of the Day

Gracious God, you are the tireless guardian of your people, always ready to heed our cries. Teach us to rely on your care every night and day. Support us as we seek your enduring peace and justice. Grant this through your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

Hymn 152 "I Sing the Almighty Power of God"

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you are the source of every good gift. In you we live and move and have our being. You call us to respond to your grace through service to Christ. But we confess that we hold tightly to our treasure, afraid we will not have enough. Send your Spirit of wisdom to unclench our fists. Help us to give freely so that we might glorify you. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testamer	nt Isaiah 53:4-12		
New Testame	nt Mark 10:35-45		
Sermon	"Priceless"	Dr. Rosanna Anderson	
Hymn 361	"Rock of Ages, Cleft for	"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"	
Offertory	"Let It Breathe on Me"	Magnolia Lewis-Butts	
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

Psalm 96

God of our salvation, thank you for claiming us as your own. Enable us to love you with our whole heart. Send your Spirit to free us from clinging to money or possessions. Use our gifts to bring relief to people in need of physical health and spiritual healing. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

Sharing Joys and Prayer Concerns

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

Hymn 144	"This Is My Father's World"	
Benediction		Dr. Anderson
Postlude	"Study No. 10"	Stephen Heller

Church Calendar

Sunday, October 20 All parents and grandparents, along with children and youth, are invited to a Sunday School Organizational Gathering for families. Worship 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, October 23 **Bible Study** 9:00–10:00 a.m. All are invited to join our hybrid discussion of Chapter 8, "Contemplation: How to Pray Without Words," in *How to Pray: A Simple Guide for Normal People* by Pete Greig.

Thursday, October 24 **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.

Saturday, October 26 **Board Game Café** 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. This Saturday evening, join us for free dinner and a wide variety of board games for the whole family! RSVP to the church office at 788-7898 by noon on Friday, October 18.

Sunday, October 27 Dr. Clifford Anderson will lead a Halloween-themed discussion for teens based on Ryan J. Stark's *A Guidebook to Monsters* (2024). **Worship** 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. **Fellowship** 11:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Union Chapel (United Church of Christ) The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson, Designated Term Pastor Becky Walters, Administrative Assistant Laura Chapman, Sexton Diane Dawson Dexter, Organist *"Whoever you are and wherever you are on your faith journey, you are welcome here."*



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