

Participating in Worship Today

Piano & Organ	Julie von Eschen
Song Leaders	Steve & Kelly Brumm
Greeter:	Gerhard & Sonja Luetschwager
Ushers:	Phil Leavenworth &
Audio Tech:	Scott Holmstrom
Reader:	Mary Penninga
Communion Bread:	Aimee Gauger
Serving Communion:	Aimee & Steve Gauger
Coffee Hour:	POTLUCK!!!
Ministers	All the People
Pastor	Brad Brookins

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father 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 forever.

Amen

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*If you had known
what this
means...*



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is an Open and Affirming Congregation*



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13th Sunday after Pentecost!!

September 3, 2017

Greeting

Silence

Prelude El Shaddai

Bringing in the Light

1st Song My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

* 2nd Song Just a Closer Walk With Thee

* Prayer

Creating God, you are so patient with our fears, so forgiving when we exercise them to the harm of our neighbor, so persistent in calling us to a better way of living in this world. Remind us to love. Remind us that love always wins, even when it loses. In these difficult times bind us in this love to you, to each other and to our neighbors near and far. Keep us from the discouragement that feeds our anger. Restore to us the hope that sings in the new day of your kingdom here as it is in heaven we pray, in the name of our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Amen.

L : (Psalm 103) *As the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God's steadfast love towards those who fear God; as far as the east is from the west, so far does God remove our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for us.*
By God's grace today we are forgiven and made whole, and so we all say:

Thanks be to God!

***Breathe on me, Breath of God. Fill me with life anew
That I may love what you do love, and do what you would do.***

What's Happening

Offering

Jeremiah 17: 7-9

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord; they shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

Offertory

* Response *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow!*

* Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

The bounty of this harvest season reminds us of your abundant love and your generous provision for our lives. We give in gratitude, hoping these gifts will bless the world you care for and claim as your own. Amen.

The Table

We are invited *Come As You Are*

Our Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

(The Lord's Prayer is printed on the back of your bulletin)

1st Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 21. 1-9

2nd Scripture Reading

Matthew 12. 1-8

"...and when God speaks things happen, worlds are created, truth is heard."

Sermon

* Hymn **Great is Thy Faithfulness**

* Benediction *Let the Lord's Light Shine*

Postlude

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Please remember with your prayers, cards, and calls:

If you would like to submit a name or concern for this prayer list please call or email the church office. Thanks.

Serving in Worship on September 10, 2017

Greeter: Harland Erfurth

Ushers: Tom & Ruth Dobson

Audio Tech: Alan Ferguson

Reader: Mary Lou Kollath

Communion Bread: Alan Ferguson

Serving Communion: Jeff Jenkins & **volunteer needed**

Coffee Hour: POTLUCK!!!

Our summer schedule ends today. Fall/Winter schedule begins next week, September 10. The first Adult Sunday School class for the year will meet around the kitchen table at 9:00 a.m. and the worship service will begin at 10:15.

The Sunday School Staff are providing materials and space downstairs in the children's area over the summer for kids who need to do something else during the worship time. **There will be no adult staff supervision so for their safety you will need to accompany your kids downstairs**, but feel free to use the space if you need it.

Remember—we are continuing our experiment with POTLUCK!!! coffee hours for the next few months. As always, bring a little of what you have and all will be well fed. If you aren't able to bring something for any reason, please stay and eat anyway. **If you are visiting with us we hope you will be our**

guest. You will likely leave repeating our "brag line" — "*the finest coffee hour in Dane County*".

Please send your announcements to the church office by email or phone call by Thursday of each week. We are trying to cut down on the number of impromptu announcements made during the worship service to save time and avoid disruptions to the worship time.

From Mary Lou Kollath:

As everyone knows, this is quilt raffle ticket selling time. Because I am usually in the kitchen on Sunday mornings, helping set up for the potluck, no one is sitting at the table, selling those tickets. It's a "do it yourself" kind of thing, so help yourself, mark your name on the sheet, and how many tickets you've bought.. I am trusting you to put the correct amount of money in the plastic box holding the cash. Take change if necessary. Tickets cost \$1 each, or you can get 6 for \$5. A real deal! The winning ticket will be drawn the first Sunday in November. Thank you.

Hurricane Harvey Relief

Please pray for continued strength and resolve for those whose lives have been impacted by Hurricane/Tropical Storm Harvey. Please also pray for the First Responders, disaster coordinators, and many volunteers who are working tirelessly to provide relief after Harvey, now and in the days, months, and years to come.

The response and rebuilding will be long-term. Your generous contribution now makes this long-term response possible.

Donations can be made at our Church or via the Donate button on our website at mtvernonucc.org. Be sure to indicate "Hurricane Harvey" with your donation.

www.ucc.org/disaster_hurricane_harvey

Community Hymn Sing with Greg Zelek, Principal Organist

Madison Symphony Orchestra (free)

September 16, 2017, 11 AM

Interested? Contact Alan Ferguson.

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

My Shepherd will supply my need:
Jehovah is His Name;
In pastures fresh He makes me feed,
Beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back
When I forsake His ways,
And leads me, for His mercy's sake,
In paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death
His presence is my stay;
One word of His supporting grace
Drives all my fears away.
His hand, in sight of all my foes,
Doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows,
His oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God
Attend me all my days;
O may Thy house be my abode,
And all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest,
While others go and come;
No more a stranger, nor a guest,
But like a child at home.

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

I am weak, but Thou art strong
Jesus, keep me from all wrong
I'll be satisfied as long
As I walk, let me walk close to Thee

Just a closer walk with Thee
Grant it, Jesus, is my plea
Daily walking close to Thee
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be

When my feeble life is o'er
Time for me will be no more
Guide me gently, safely o'er
To Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore

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Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee,
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not,
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness!

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Morning by morning new mercies I see

All I have needed Thy hand hath provided

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above;
Join with all nature in manifold witness,
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Great is Thy faithfulness!

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All I have needed Thy hand hath provided

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today, and bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

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