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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIPZsQ5nMwmFfhUGn8zJ3sQ/videos>

Please feel free to place any questions you may have by replying in the comments section (Youtube), or contact the church office by phone or email and request to be added to our email list.

PRAYER REQUEST

The Pastor is always glad to share prayer requests during the Prayer Time during each worship service. You can share a prayer request online in the comments section (Youtube) and by contacting the church by email or phone.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling
Jan Heckman at 715-392-1072
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ONLINE WORSHIP

September 6th, 2020

10:00 A.M.

Please light a candle to remind yourself of the presence of God.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT **Lord, Prepare Me to be a Sanctuary** **#701**

CALL TO WORSHIP **Psalm 105: 1-5**

One: O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

All: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

One: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

All: Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.

One: Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgements he has uttered.

HYMN **Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us** **#187**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray.

All: We have sought meaning in shallow places.

We have clung to old hurts and familiar habits.

We have nursed anger and envy.

We have been joyless and self-absorbed.

We have turned our backs on those in need.

Forgive what we have been, and guide us toward what we may become.

Assurance of Pardon

One: Rejoice! God's love is poured over you this day for healing, restoration and hope. Feel the power of God's mercy in your life. Go into God's world knowing you are forgiven and blessed. Be a blessing to others.

All: We are all forgiven. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

You are invited to bless those in the comments section with the words, **“The peace of Christ be with you.”** Please also say “Hello” to one another.

One: May God's peace be with you.

All: And also with you

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Kathryn Craven

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading

Laura Schlacks

Exodus 3:1-15

SERMON **“Travelling Home to Chaos”**

New Testament Reading

Cindy Martinson

Matthew 16:21-28

HYMN **Be Thou My Vision** **#450**

OFFERING

RESPONSE

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

Praise Christ, all people here below

Praise Holy Spirit evermore

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen

PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God of all things, source of all blessings; accept the gifts of our hands, the thankfulness of our hearts, the praise of our worship and the bounty of our lives. We pray that this offering will be used for the building of your kingdom of justice, peace, love and reconciliation and that you bless us and our offerings to be a blessing.

TIME FOR PRAYER

Prayers to be Shared Please email the church with your prayer requests or share them in the comments section. (Youtube)

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN I'm Gonna Live so God Can Use Me #700

BENEDICTION

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 16:21-28

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, 'I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.' But Moses said to God, 'Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?' He said, 'I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.'

But Moses said to God, 'If I come to the Israelites and say to them, "The God of your ancestors has sent me to you", and they ask me, "What is his name?" what shall I say to them?' God said to Moses, '**I AM WHO I AM.**' He said further, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "**I AM** has sent me to you."

God also said to Moses, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you": This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY 9/6

10:00 a.m. Morning Worship (Online only)

Cindy Martinson preaching

There will be no Zoom Coffee Break this morning

Pastor Brett out of office

MONDAY 9/7 - OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY

Pastor Brett out of office

TUESDAY 9/8

WEDNESDAY 9/9

12:00 Staff meeting (Zoom)

4:00 Hot dish preparation

4:30 Finance meeting (Zoom)

4-6:00 p.m. CSA Pick-up

THURSDAY 9/10

5:30 Building and Grounds meeting (Zoom)

FRIDAY 9/11

SATURDAY 9/12

Birthdays This Week

9/6 Erick Anderson

9/6 Diane Schmitt

9/9 Trevor Dahl

9/11 Willem McClellan

OUT OF OFFICE

Pastor Brett will be out of the office September 6-7

COMMUNION will be served next Sunday, September 13th.

HOTDISH INITIATIVE

The next hotdish will be given out on Sunday, September 13th from 4:30-5:30 at the church.

COMMUNITY DINNER

September 20th will be our next Community Dinner at UPC.

This will be carry-out only from 4-5:30p.m. Please drive through and pick up your meal to go. Serving a chicken patty on a bun, coleslaw, potato chips and a brownie.

There will be no PW meeting in September.

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us 187

Lord, Prepare Me 701

Sanctuary

Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc-tu - ar - y, pure and
 ho - ly, tried and true. With thanks - giv - ing,
 I'll be a liv - ing sanc-tu - ar - y for you.

1 Sav - ior, like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten-der care.
 2 We are yours: in love be - friend us; be the guard-ian of our way.
 3 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin-ful though we be;
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor; ear - ly let us do your will.

In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us; for our use your fold pre-prepare.
 Keep your flock: from sin de - fend us; seek us when we go a-stray.
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and power to free.
 Bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.

Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us: we are yours.
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear your chil - dren when we pray.
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us; love us still.

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This unattributed hymn, like many that are now meaningful to adults, was written for children and develops shepherd imagery from Psalm 23 and John 10:1-18. The tune, composed for these words, was originally named for the text but has come to be known by the composer's name.

TEXT: Thrupp's *Hymns for the Young*, 1836, alt.
 MUSIC: William Batchelder Bradbury, 1859, alt.

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THE WORD

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Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D) E^b (G) A^b (D/F#) E^b/G (A7) B^b7 (D) E^b

(A) B^b (D) E^b (G) A^b (A) B^b

(G) A^b (D) E^b (F#m7) Gm7 (G) A^b (A) B^b

(Bm) Cm (D/F#) E^b/G (G) A^b (D) E^b

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heav - en - ward, O Power of my power.
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

DEDICATION AND STEWARDSHIP

700 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

1 I'm gon-na live so (live so)
 2 I'm gon-na work so (work so) God can use me an - y -
 3 I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)
 4 I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

where, Lord, an - y - time! (an - y - time!) I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na

live so (live so)
 work so (work so) God can use me an - y -
 pray so (pray so)
 sing so (sing so)

where, Lord, an - y - time! (an - y - time!)
 (my Lord,) (an - y - time!)