

Phippsburg Congregational Church, UCC

Open and Affirming: All are Welcome Here!

August 19, 2018: Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Please silence all electronic devices. Thank you!

** indicates times when you're invited to rise in body or spirit*

Gathering Music & The Ringing of the Church Bell

Greetings and Announcements

Centering Prayer

Prelude and Lighting of the Altar Lights

Sonata for Oboe

Wolfgang A. Mozart

Call to Worship: *(Psalm 111, The Message, adapted)*

Hallelujah! Give thanks to God with everything you've got!

Wherever good people gather, let the congregation shout!

God's greatness is worth a lifetime of study—endless enjoyment!

Splendor and beauty are God's craft, and generosity.

Miracles mark where God has been at work!

The God of grace and love is worthy of wonderment.

God keeps all the ancient promises. God's never obsolete.

Let our Hallelujahs also last forever!

***Opening Hymn:** God of Grace and God of Glory Pilgrim Hymnal 366

Gathering Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

God of steadfast love, your works delight our hearts and expand our thoughts. You offer us choices—day by day, minute by minute—and invite us into discernment. Grant us, indeed, your wisdom and courage, for the living of these days. We pray in the way of Jesus:

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, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

Gloria Patri: **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end! Amen, Amen!**

Hebrew Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

KJV 275/CEB262 /MSG426

Time for All God's Children

***Hymn:** Come Let Us Join with Faithful Souls (NCH383) Insert

Pastoral Prayer: May the Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up unto the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord

It is right to give God thanks and praise!

Offertory: *Shepherd's Prayer*

Robert Stolz

***Doxology:** **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow**

Praise God, all creatures here below

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

New Testament Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20 KJV866 /CEB895 /MSG1616

Message: Wise Guy

Rev. Holly S. Morrison

***Closing Hymn:** O God In Whom All Life Begins (NCH401) Insert

***Benediction**

Extinguishing the Altar Lights: ***Take the Light of Christ into the world!***

Postlude: *Rondo from 'Concerto for Oboe'* Wolfgang A. Mozart

NOTE: You are invited to sit and enjoy today's special postlude music.

Thanks to today's service participants:

Today's music is by Hugh Maynard, oboist, and Ann Hartzler, piano

Lay Reader: George Langbehm

Head Deacon: Mary Hartman Assistant Deacon: Sandy Stenquist

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Welcome to the Phippsburg Congregational Church! Please sign our guest book in the narthex and stay for refreshments and fellowship in the Linden Tree Meeting House following the service. No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Need a Large-print bulletin, bible, or hearing-assist device? Please ask one of our deacons for these.

CALENDAR

Sun. 8/19 Worship 9 AM

Wed. 8/22 Church Council, 4 PM

Thurs. 8/23 Summer Vespers service: 7:00-7:30 PM

Fri. 8/24 Church Fellowship Cruise 5-7 PM
(please gather at launch no later than 4:45)

Sun. 8/26 Worship 9 AM

PASTOR'S HOURS FOR 8/19-8/25:

Mon: day off /Tues: office 10-4 /Wed: Ch. Council 4-6 /Thurs: office 12-6 /

Fri: funeral 10-1, fellowship event 4:30-7:30 / Sat: work from home

COMMITTEE BUDGETS NEEDED

Please send your 2019 committee budgets to the office ASAP so we can prepare for our church budget meeting in October. Thank you.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

Could you give one hour, one Sunday a month? We need 3 more teachers to make for a strong rotation. Full curriculum provided. Male teachers especially needed. Please contact Holly if you can help.

SEPTEMBER BOOK GROUP: BRAIDING SWEETGRASS, Robin W. Kimmerer

This award-winning book has been called, "a hymn of love to the world."

Dr. Kimmerer's work emerges from both her scientific training and her indigenous wisdom as a member of the Potawatomi Nation. (Please indicate your preferred meeting time on sign-up sheet on LTMH kiosk.)

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We honor and respect those who have gone before, lighting the candles of our faith and opening the doors of our beloved church in welcome to all who enter. We acknowledge and accept our responsibility to be good stewards of this church and faith community. We believe Jesus fully revealed our living God's unconditional love and calls us to share that love with all so that we may help transform the world and ourselves. We value community and celebrate those distinct gifts we each bring to our community. We strive to actively practice generosity, hospitality, and stewardship of all of God's creation. And in all things we seek the Righteousness, Justice, and Peace that is God's Shalom on earth as it is in heaven.

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