

Service of the Word

August 5, 2018

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome! It's a joy to worship with you today.

Larger print bulletins & personal hearing amplifiers are available in the Narthex (Main St. entry).

There are no Sunday School classes today, but here are activity bags for kids so help yourself. A Childcare Room is open in the Education wing and a parent must remain with child(ren).

Prelude

Pat Terrill, Pianist

Welcome

The Rev. Jill H. Small

The Greeting of Peace *You are invited to greet those near you, sharing the peace of God.*

Call to Worship (responsive)

Marion Ellis, Pulpit Assistant

One: This is the day that God has made!

All: Let us be glad and rejoice.

One: May we gather as one community.

All: May we gather as one church.

* **Hymn**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1 NCH

*(*Congregation may stand)*

Invocation (unison)

One: Uniting our hearts and minds, may God hear our prayer.

All: Holy One, be among us now so that we all may be one in your Name and by your Spirit. Fill this hour with your presence and with your peace. Amen.

Texts for the Day

Hebrew Scripture

II Samuel 11:26-12:14

Christian Scripture

Ephesians 4:1-16

Sermon

"About Gifts"

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer/Prayer of Jesus

Our Father/Creator who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy realm/Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the realm/Kingdom, and the power and the glory for ever. Amen.

* Hymn

We Love Your Realm, O God (verses 1, 2, & 6 # 312 NCH

Invitation to Offering *Gifts of time, talent, and treasure make possible the mission and ministry we share. You're welcome to use a pew card to note online giving and gifts of service. Thank you.*

Offertory

* **Doxology** (# 780 NCH)

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

Everything we offer, we first have received. Accept our thanks, God of abundance, and guide us to use these gifts for the greatest good. Whoever we are, wherever we are, we are yours and in your Name we pray. Amen.

* Hymn

I Would Be True

492 NCH

Benediction

Postlude

***As our worship together ends, our true service begins.
May you be blessed this week and may you be a blessing to others.***

After worship, all are welcome to gather for refreshments and conversation in Fellowship Hall by our Justice and Witness Ministry. Greeting today are Jimmy Hartman, David Pruette, and Brenda Sargent. Thank you to our Sound Engineers John Moore, Grant Armstrong, Russell Mason, and Fisayo Dada for running our sound system each Sunday morning.

Worship begins at 9:00 am in the Sanctuary though August and return to 10:00 am on September 2nd.

July and August office hours are Tuesday-Thursday, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. If you would like more information about the church or to be put on our mailing list, please speak with an usher or Pastor Jill Small.

Dover Friends Level 1 Sanctuary Update: We have begun furnishing the sanctuary space. We have a trundle bed in excellent condition and need bedding for twin beds. Items must be a solid color, new or in very good condition.

Take pictures of items and email them to us: jedzebel@gmail.com and/or cadeleth@yahoo.com.

Right now, we need: two twin mattress covers with waterproof backing; matching twin sheets and pillowcase sets; two twin blankets; two twin non-allergenic pillows; one twin bedspread.

Later we will need: a dorm size refrigerator; living room chairs; lamps; end tables, coffee table.

Please do not bring anything to the Meetinghouse unless you have been notified that we can use it and please do let us know how to notify you. Thank you!

Our 14th annual **Fall Fest/Yard Sale** is Saturday, Sept. 15th, 8:30am-2:30pm. Grab a bargain at ECHO Thrift shop, have an "Antiques Valuation," get your knives sharpened, and buy fresh vegetables! And volunteer: it's fun and a great way to make new friends. For more info, contact the church office.

A new Sunday School year begins on **Welcome Back Sunday, September 9th**. Remember: we start at 10:00 am!

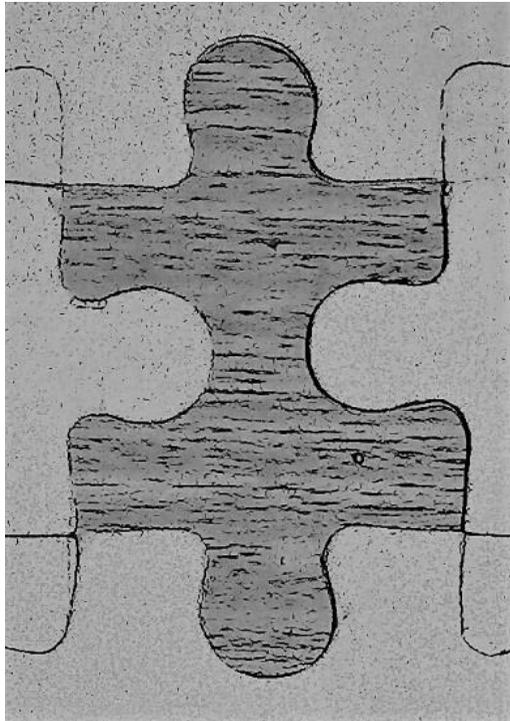
CCD will provide dinner for the **Families First Family Fun Night** on Monday, 8/6. The menu is: Italian subs, (1 lb. of ham, salami or cheese), sub rolls, garden salad, milk, fruit and cookies or bars. We ask for contributions in each category to serve ten people. Please drop off food by 3 pm on August 6th. We will also prepare and serve dinner at **Dover Friendly Kitchen** on Thursday, 8/30, 4:30-6:30pm. Both food contributions (cooked bacon, sliced bread, salad and desserts) and volunteers are needed. Sign-up sheets for both meals are in Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your continued generosity!

Memorial Services: They say many hands make light work! For this we give thanks, especially to Sara Urban, who has volunteered to poll church women for the supply of baked goods, cheese and crackers, and fruit that make our Memorial Receptions so memorable. She will be doing this for the summer months and we hope that by making the timeframe short, others will step up to do successive 3-month stints. Would you consider undertaking this task for a quarter? It's possible that the whole three months could go by with no receptions necessary or there might be several during that span. But by serving a finite span of time, you know that your tenure will be short and greatly appreciated! Please contact Ruth Moore (868-1086) or Mandy Armstrong (431-2406) to volunteer. Thanks in advance for your consideration.



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