

Announcements for the Week of September 27-October 03, 2020

Welcome! Whether you are joining us in person or online today, we pray that in this time of worship you will encounter the living Christ and experience the warmth of our caring community of faith.

As we return to in-person worship while the COVID-19 virus continues to pose some health risks to our community and congregation, we are committed to loving our neighbor by following the *Plan for Resuming In-Person Worship*, adopted by the Session on May 19, 2020. Thank you for your cooperation, flexibility and patience as we adapt to some new ways of worshipping together. The *Plan* is being reviewed regularly and new or updated provisions will be shared as soon as possible. We will continue to provide online worship access for the foreseeable future to include anyone who is unable or does not feel comfortable being physically present in worship.

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for today, immediately following worship for the purpose of electing officers. All members of the congregation are eligible to vote and are encouraged to participate in-person or by Zoom.

The rose in the chancel celebrates the birth of August Matthew Houser, son of Sally and Matt Houser, and brother to Eloise. August was born September 13, 2020 at 20:20! Congratulations to Sally, Matt and Eloise and grandparents Kathy and Tom Fish!

Lectionary Readings & Reflection Questions for the 17th Sunday after Pentecost:

Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16; Phil.2:1; Matthew 21:23-32-20

1. What comes to your mind when you hear the word “authority”?
2. How do you assess whose or what power holds sway over you?
3. How are you like the first son in the parable? The second?
4. When you read the Philippians text for this week, what stands out to you? How are we looking to the interest of others? Exhibiting the same mind as Christ?
5. When have you been in a position of leadership? How has your leadership reflected your discipleship?
6. Often in the church we talk about servant leadership. What does that mean? When have you experienced servant leadership?

Prayer Concerns

Homebound friends and family members, Herb Adams, Sandra Adams, Dwight Barnett, Chuck Barton, Jim Becker, Charlene Blair, Aiden Craft, Bill & Barbara Foote, Pam & Robb Hall, Carolyn Hendrickson, Philip Martin, Ruth Martin, Family of Pieter Nies, Angie Riley, Keats Smith, Jack Taylor, Ed Tye, Kathy Zanio; Residents & Staff of Christian Care Communities, Jerald Robinson, Donny Seay, Carly Overbey & Evan Babcock and baby James Francis, Students, Teachers and Families as they return to school, Danny Jones, Andy Anderson, Shane Moore, Steve Carnes

With confidence in your love and mercy, O God, we lift our prayers for those in need. Heal them in body, mind, or circumstance, working in them by your grace, wonders beyond all they may dream or hope. Amen.

Please send additions and updates for the prayer list to churchoffice@corbinpres.org or leave a message on the church voicemail at 606-528-1444.



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Session

Rev. Lisa Eye, Moderator Mary Begley, Clerk

Class of 2020

Karen Nies

Class of 2021

Tom Fish

Class of 2022

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Corbin Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

September 27, 2020

17th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering Around the Word

Gathering Hymns

Prelude

G.F.Handel

Festal March

1685-1759

Opening Prayer

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Praise the Lord who is our provider.

The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.

God brought us out of bondage and has made us free.

Glorious are the deeds of our God, and mighty are his acts.

The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.

Let us worship God.

Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

*Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love!*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we have been wandering in the wilderness of sin. We have complained in the face of your mercy. We have been selfish and conceited in the face of your sacrifice. We have not done your will. Teach us humility. Teach us gratitude. Infuse your Spirit into our beings so that we might be reconciled to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon and Peace

"God, make the door of this place of worship wide enough to receive all who need human love, friendship and the Father's care; narrow enough to shut out all pride, envy and hatred; and smooth enough for the feet of little children."

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Exodus 7:1-7 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

17 From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. 2 The people quarreled with Moses, and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?” 3 But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” 4 So Moses cried out to the Lord, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” 5 The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. 6 I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. 7 He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

Scripture: Matthew 21-32 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

23 When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” 24 Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. 25 Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And they argued with one another, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’” 26 But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.” 27 So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

28 “What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’” 29 He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. 30 The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. 31 Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. 32 For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Sermon Is the Lord Among Us or Not? The Rev. Lisa R. Eye

Responding to the Word

Musical Mediation Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah CWM RHONDDA

Guide me, O Though great Jehovah, Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy powerful hand;
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more,
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through;
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, Be Thou still my strength and shield,
Be Thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell’s destruction, Land me safe on Canaan’s side;
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to Thee,
I will ever give to Thee.

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; and the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering

Musical Prayer of Dedication For the Life That You Have Given PLEADING SAVIOR

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,
With these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:
Here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring;
Give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

Prayers of the People & The Lord’s Prayer

...we make these and all our prayers in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ, who taught us to say when we pray: 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Following the Word into the World

Charge & Blessing

Congregational Meeting

Opening Prayer Rev. Lisa Eye, Moderator

Determination of Quorum Mary Begley, Clerk

Statement of Purpose

Report of the Nominating Committee David Begley

Election of Officers:

Elder, Session, Class of 2023:	Harold Davis, David Hoskins
Elder, Session, Unexpired Term, Class of 2021:	Bob Martin
Trustee, Class of 2022:	Ned Webb
At-Large Members of 2021 Nominating Committee:	Susan Davis, Tom Blair, Shari Sevier

Closing Prayer

The pastor will dismiss those worshipping in the sanctuary by rows.

Postlude Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven LAUDA ANIMA

