This Week at Gilead

Today, Sunday, September 1

- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship.
- Following worship, join us for coffee/fellowship in the lounge.

Monday, September 2

• 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class.

Wednesday, September 4

• 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom; the link is in the weekly email.

Thursday, September 5

• 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class.

Friday, September 6

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Gilead Food Pantry.

Sunday, September 8

• 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship. Rev. Ken Godschall, preaching.

Upcoming:

Tuesday, September 10- Stated Session Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, September 13 - "Paint with Tina" Fundraiser Party at 6:30 p.m. (see painting in the lounge). Limited seating, so make your reservation & bring a friend! Tickets are \$30 and there's a sign-up sheet in the lounge.

Sunday, September 15 - RALLY DAY! Welcome back Church School! Special activities are being planned!

Saturday, September 21 – Celebration of the life of Warren Behan

Sunday, September 22 (or 29, tbd) - Bible Study resumes. We're discussing chapter 1 of "Carved in Stone."

<u>September Mission:</u> The Gilead Food Pantry needs boxes of cereal and so we will be having a cereal box domino challenge this month. Stay tuned for more details!

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GILEAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Convinced of God's Grace, we affirm that there can be no exclusiveness in the body of Christ. We welcome all regardless of race, ethnic heritage, national origin, age, ability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic standing; and we encourage the full participation of all in the life of our congregation.



Sunday, September 1, 2024, 10:00 a.m. Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

We welcome Edgar Hayes, CRE, to the pulpit today!

OPENING MUSIC "Salute to The Work We Do"

("I Want to Be a Worker for the Lord" by I. Baltzell & "May the Work I've Done, Speak for

Me" by S. Pugh) Mary Temple, piano

During the opening music, let us quiet the noise from outside, cease our conversation with the world, and begin listening for the music of God's voice.

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 133)

One: How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!

All: It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.

One: It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. All: For there the LORD ordained his blessing, life for evermore.

*PURPLE HYMNAL #317 "In Christ there is No East or West"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, I have put my trust in all things earthly instead of you. Weapons, money, my job security. Even my family. But as you have said in the scriptures, it's all fleeting. For "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord endures forever." Help me to put my trust in your Word.

SILENT PRAYER ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE GLORIA: Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*THE PEACE OF CHRIST Leader: Peace be with you. People: And also with you.

"Softly and Tenderly" by Will L. Thompson ANTHEM

John Vangor, guitar, and Mariah Warren, recorder

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

The children are dismissed to Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

³² The group of followers all felt the same way about everything. None of them claimed that their possessions were their own, and they shared everything they had with each other. 33 In a powerful way the apostles told everyone that the Lord Jesus was now alive. God greatly blessed his followers, ³⁴ and no one went in need of anything. Everyone who owned land or houses would sell them and bring the money 35 to the apostles. Then they would give the money to anyone in need. Acts 4:32-35

³⁶ While Jesus' disciples were talking about what had happened, Jesus appeared and greeted them. ³⁷ They were frightened and terrified because they thought they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸ But Jesus said, "Why are you so frightened? Why do you doubt? ³⁹ Look at my hands and my feet and see who I am! Touch me and find out for yourselves. Ghosts don't have flesh and bones as you see I have." 40 After Jesus said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. 41 The disciples were so glad and amazed that they could not believe it. Jesus then asked them, "Do you have something to eat?" 42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish. ⁴³ He took it and ate it as they watched. ⁴⁴ Jesus said to them, "While I was still with you, I told you that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, the Books of the Prophets, and in the Psalms had to happen." 45 Then he helped them understand the Scriptures. 46 He told them: The Scriptures say that the Messiah must suffer, then three days later he will rise from death. ⁴⁷ They also say that all people of every nation must be told in my name to turn to God, in order to be forgiven. So beginning in Jerusalem, 48 you must tell everything that has happened. Luke 24:36-48

Edgar Hayes **MESSAGE** "The True Word of God"

*PURPLE HYMNAL #458

"Thy Word is a Lamp Unto my Feet"

THE OFFERING OFFERTORY

"His Eye is On the Sparrow" Mary Temple, organ

by Charles Gabriel

*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.

*PURPLE HYMNAL #442 "Just As I Am, Without One Plea"

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

For those joining virtually, all are invited to partake of bread and wine or any substance that feels appropriate; or take in the sacrifice of the Lord symbolically. For those joining physically, the individual Communion sets contain juice; in the trays the red is wine and the yellow is juice.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE THE GREAT THANKSGIVING BREAKING OF BREAD – COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE **COMMUNION MUSIC** John Vangor, guitar

THE LORD'S PRAYER: 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CONG. RESPONSE (PURPLE HYMNAL #469) "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

*PURPLE HYMNAL #526 "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

*BENEDICTION

"Amen" (three-fold) *MUSICAL BENEDICTION

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save" POSTLUDE by John Bacchus Dykes, 1861 Mary Temple, organ

*The congregation is invited to stand. **BOLD**: Congregation responds/sings.

Thank you to our Lay Reader today. and our videographers, Lexie Fischer and Stephanie Gould.

PASTORAL PRAYER