



"KEEPING CLEAN"

COMMUNION SUNDAY

September 1, 2024



Check In



WELCOME

*Flowers on the altar are in celebration of honor of Marj. and Jerry's 66th Wedding Anniversary.
Congratulations Marj. and Jerry!*

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**



PRELUDE

Come Thou of Every Blessing

Victor Labenske



+CALL TO WORSHIP

Stand in body, stand in spirit, however you are led and able. Please share in the words in bold.

Every generous act of giving is a tribute to God's love for us.

Lord, let us be people of generous and abundant gifts for others.

Be ready to listen and slow to react in anger.

Lord, prepare us to be peaceful people.

Keep your hearts and spirits ready to serve the Lord.

Lord, open our hearts to hear and respond to your words of life in ministries of hope and peace. AMEN.



OPENING HYMN

Open My Eyes, That I May See

UMH 454



OPENING PRAYER of CONFESSION

God of mercy, you know us so well. We like to think that we can hide from You, but we are just kidding ourselves. You have offered to us new life, characterized by honesty, compassion, joy, and peace. You have invited us into ministries of peace and justice; but we have far too often turned our back on opportunities for service and witness to your transformational love. Forgive us for our stubbornness. Help us to turn around and listen to your words of hope. Remind us again that you require compassion and mercy in all who serve you; that you will guide our steps and our lives. Give us courage to truly be your witnesses in this world. AMEN.



SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Pew Bible pg. 42

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.



+DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94



TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES



SERMON & INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Rev. Megan Tobola



HYMN OF FAITH

Love the Lord Your God

TFWS 2168



THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

As United Methodists, we celebrate an open table, which means ALL are welcome to partake. The juice is non-alcoholic, and individually sealed gluten free wafers are available.

INVITATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

...as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.



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 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.



HYMN DURING COMMUNION

A Place at the Table

pg. 3



INVITATION to the PRACTICE of GIVING

Thank you for sharing your gifts!

Give by Text: (630) 528-0155, Online: wesleynaperville.org/giving

The offering basket is also available at the front of the sanctuary.



+CLOSING HYMN

The Gift of Love

UMH 408



+BENEDICTION

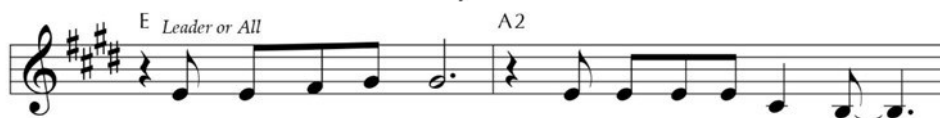


POSTLUDE

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

Victor Labenske

769 For Everyone Born



1 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,
2 For wom - an and man, a place at the ta - ble,
3 For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,
4 For just and un - just, a place at the ta - ble,
5 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,



for ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,
re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to for - give,
to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,



a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,
with wis - dom and grace, di - vid - ing the pow - er,
the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled,
in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cy,
to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,



for ev - ery - one born, a star o - ver - head,
for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair,
for young and for old, the right to be - long,
for just and un - just, a new way to live,
for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free,



and God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and



joy, com - pas - sion and peace: yes,



God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice,



jus - tice and joy!

This hymn from a noted New Zealand hymnwriter affirms that God's hospitality transcends the barriers created by human society and that we who have been created in God's image are called to live in ways that reflect our Creator's values: justice and joy, compassion and peace.

FOR EVERYONE BORN
11.10.11.10 with refrain

TEXT: Shirley Erena Murray, 1998
MUSIC: Brian Mann, 2006
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Music © 2006 Brian Mann (admin. General Board of Global Ministries t/a CBCMusik)



DAYCARE ENROLLMENT

AGES 6 MONTHS - 5 YEARS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Full days: 9am-2pm

Half days: 9-11:30 or 11:30-2

SUMMER PROGRAM

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Full days: 9am-1pm

630-355-1758

wesleykidsdayout@gmail.com

Sundays Additional parking is allowed in the Old National Bank (formerly, Midwest Bank) lot

10:00 AM (Hybrid): **Worship in-person or online** wesleynaperville.org (Sanctuary—Level 1)
2nd - 5th Sundays: **Sunday School** immediately following the time for Young Disciples.
After Worship In Person **Fellowship in the Atrium** (Coffee and Nibbles—Level A)

IN PERSON HOURS

CHURCH OFFICE

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Sun 9am –2pm

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Rev. Duane Mevis, Pastor Emeritus

Nicole Melody, Director of Music

Svetlana Mars, Accompanist

5:00 PM **Center Street Table Dinner Dialogues**
(Across the Street @ Community UMC).
A community meal. All are invited. All can serve.

Worship Resources

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in Christ Jesus
welcomes ALL people.
So do we.
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