Cicero United Methodist Church Tenth Sunday After Pentecost August 14, 2022, 10:00 am



Gathering

Lighting the Altar Candles

Call to Worship

L: The Lord calls us to grow in faithfulness.

P: Take away our greed and selfishness, O Lord!

L: The Lord challenges us to serve others in loving ways!

P: Help us grow in our service and witness to your mercy and peace.

L: Come, let us worship the Lord who delights in our witness.

P: Let us praise God who is always with us. AMEN.

Praise Song "Oh Lord You're Beautiful"

Invocation

Lord's Prayer (sung) #271 UMH

Responsive Psalm 82

Males: God has taken his place in the divine council; in the midst of the gods, he holds judgment:

Females: "How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? Selah

Males: Give justice to the weak and the orphan; maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute.

Females: Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked."

Males: They have neither knowledge nor understanding, they walk around in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

Females: say, "You are gods, children of the Most High, all of you;

Males: nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince."

Females: Rise up, O God, judge the earth; for all the nations belong to you!

Greeting Song "Won't You Greet Somebody"

Acknowledgements/ Announcements

Offering

Doxology

Offertory Prayer

Pastor's Time with Children & Youth / Blessing

Children and Youth Christan Education Class

Hymn "Guide My Feet" TFWS 2208

Scripture Reading

Reading: Hebrews 11:29-12:3

11:29 By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned.

- 11:30 By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days.
- 11:31 By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.
- 11:32 And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets--
- 11:33 who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions,
- 11:34 quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight.
- 11:35 Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection.
- 11:36 Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment.
- 11:37 They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented--
- 11:38 of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.
- 11:39 Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised,
- 11:40 since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

12:1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,

12:2 looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Message Run the race

Special Music "It Is Well With My Soul", Preformed: Marlene Connor (Harp)

Prayers of Intercession

Song /Hymn "Marching to Zion" UMH#733

Benediction

Benediction Song "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

Postlude

ANNOUNCING OUR MISSION FIELD OPPORTUNITIES

- Thanks to all who made cards for Christmas in July. We are off to a great start with over 100 cards. Please return your kit ASAP if you are still working on cards. We will have a group to make cards in the late fall.

The Outreach Team needs your help:

- Non-perishable food items needed for the Blessing Box at Mission Central Thrift Store on Rt. 11. Please leave these in the grocery cart.
- School supplies needed for local kids loose leaf paper, pencils, pens, 2-pocket folders,
- ❖ 1 and 3 subject notebooks. Please leave these in the bus near the church office.
- Juice boxes, cookies and trail mix needed for the Canteen's August field trips. Please leave these in the school bus near the office also.

Prayers for our Mission Team that headed out Saturday Morning and continued prayers for Kentucky.

Special message from SPPRC

Cicero UMC is hiring! We are seeking to hire a part time Audio Visual Technician to assist with Sunday morning worship service and Wednesday evening rehearsal. Please see the job listing here

https://www.unyumc.org/news/classified/audio-visual-technologist-at-cicero-umc

Contact Megan Boyles (megRNpsu@yahoo.com) or Mike Irwin (mirwin1220@gmail.com) for a full job description.

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Camera Operator: Joe Finch

Sound Technician: Tim Gauthier; Rick Rudmann

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Worship Team: Deb Irwin, Nancy Congdon, April Smith, Jan Cerimeli, Jeanette Elwood,

Cindy Brink, Sue Werner

Administrative Assistant: Mary Slack-Nolan

Sunday School is staffed by:

Sue Bonspille, *Director*; Vicky Moore, Linda Bouwens, Danni Gauthier. Christine Burton, Rachel Panek, Sarah Jones, Alyssa Dunsmoor, Stephanie Lotts, Larry Bonspille, Emily Bush, Susan Coulter, *teachers*.

The Nursery is staffed by:

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