

Living Our Faith

September 18, 2022 — 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Worship Services

15th Sunday after Pentecost



Downers Grove First United Methodist Church

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Thought for the Day

“One act of obedience is better than one hundred sermons.”

– Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Prelude 8:30 *Eglogue*
10:00 *Season of Joy*

F. Liszt
Paul McKlveen

The Chancel Ringers

Gathering Tolling of the Church Bell
Words of Welcome and Announcements
Please sign the Friendship Register located at the inside end of the pew and pass it to the person seated next to you.

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

*Call to Worship

O God, we come into your courts
with praise and thanksgiving!

We come in celebration and song.

We come in gratitude of your inheritance.

We come as those who have received blessing upon blessing.

We hear the cry of the poor in the land,
and ache to offer them relief.

We come to bring them blessing upon blessing, in Jesus' name.

O God, we come into your courts
with praise and thanksgiving!

We come in celebration and song.

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***Hymn #136** *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want*

Opening Prayer

God of love, lead us in the way of your grace. You weep for the hurt of your people, for our injustice and greed. We are broken but you desire our wholeness. We bind one another with indebtedness of many kinds, but you proclaim forgiveness. Speak your Word to us, that we may see not as the world does but as you do: with mercy and grace. May we be good stewards of your love. Amen.

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The Lord's Prayer Hymnal #895

10:00 A Moment for Children

John Smoke

Children are welcome to come forward or gather around the screen at home to share in this special time with Pastor John. Afterwards, preschool through sixth graders may go with the Sunday school teachers. Children may be picked up in the second floor classrooms following the service.

New today: At this time, youth in grades 7 – 12 are welcome to attend *Bibles & Bagels* in the Youth Room with Pastor Andi.

Community Prayers

Reading of the Holy Scripture — Jeremiah 8:18–9:1

¹⁸ My joy is gone; grief is upon me;
my heart is sick.

¹⁹ Listen! The cry of the daughter of my people
from far and wide in the land:

“Is the Lord not in Zion?
Is her King not in her?”

(“Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?”)

²⁰ “The harvest is past, the summer is ended,
and we are not saved.”

²¹ For the brokenness of the daughter of my people I am broken,
I mourn, and horror has seized me.

²² Is there no balm in Gilead?
Is there no physician there?

Why then has the health of the daughter of my people not been restored?

⁹ O that my head were a spring of water
and my eyes a fountain of tears,
so that I might weep day and night
for the slain of the daughter of my people!

Sermon

“Treating Wounds Carelessly”

Pastor Claude

10:00 Anthem

Even Here

Mark A. Miller

Cassie Gallagher and Andrew Johnson, soloists

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory 8:30

Ich ruf zu dir, Herr, Chorale Prelude

J. S. Bach/F. Busoni

10:00

Festive Praises (June Ebersold Memorial Anthem)

Fred Gramann

The Chancel Ringers

*Doxology Hymnal #94

Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn #2175

Together We Serve

The Faith We Sing supplemental

Benediction

Postlude

8:30 *Impromptu in A flat*

F. Schubert

10:00 *Grand Choeur*

Theodore Salome

The rose on the altar today is given by Peg Schultz in prayers of gratitude for the birth of her 7th great grandchild, Lorelei Nicole Schultz. Proud parents are Matthew (who grew up in this church) and Brittany Schultz. Proud grandparents are Jim (who grew up in this church) and Linda Schultz. Proud great aunt and uncle are Kathleen and Bob Schultz; and proud great grandmother is Peg Schultz.

*Please rise as you are able.

Notes: **Bold** text indicates congregational response. Hymnal refers to the red hymnal in the pew holders. Hearing assistance devices are available at the back of the sanctuary and in the balcony from the ushers.

Please note that the 10:00 a.m. worship service is being recorded and livestreamed on YouTube.





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EVENTS HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Bibles & Bagels Meets Today

Youth in grades 7 - 12 are invited to attend *Bibles & Bagels* today. Every third Sunday of the month, youth are invited to the youth room for bagels and interactive *Bible* study after Children's Moment (when younger children leave worship to attend Sunday School class). This Sunday, the group will explore the different ways we read and interpret the *Bible* and the text 1 Corinthians 13. If you'd like to provide the breakfast for *Bibles* and Bagels on Sunday, October 16, let Pastor Andi know.

CROP Hunger Walk Sign Up in the Parlor Today

Save the date of Sunday, October 16 to join others in the church and community who are walking to reduce hunger in our area and in the world through the CROP Hunger Walk. The walk begins at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church (across from DGN high school) at 2:00 p.m. Stop by the parlor today to register as a walker or to support others through your donations.

UWF Fundraiser on Tuesday, September 20

Support the United Women in Faith (UWF, formerly UMW) group by dining out on Tuesday, September 20 at Papa Passero's located at 6326 S. Cass Ave. in Westmont. You can order ahead or purchase that day from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Bring the flyer posted in *Happenings* eNews or available on the welcome table in the lobby. UMW receives 20% of the profits.

Family Dinners Begin

Wednesday, September 21; 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

With the start of Children's Choirs, comes the start of Family Dinners each Wednesday from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. in the gym. We order from local restaurants, families sign up for a clean up crew, and we enjoy some time together! All are welcome. Sign up for a fall subscription by submitting the form (available from Pastor John or on the welcome table) and payment to Pastor John. For questions or to sign up, contact Pastor John at 630.968.7120, x204 or john@dgfumc.org.

Assisting in Our Services Today

Music 8:30 Ray Osborn, piano
10:00 Diane Hires, Chancel Choir Director
Pattie Barnes, Sanctuary Organist &
Handbell Choir Director

Lay Reader 8:30 Laural Briggs
10:00 Don Safford

Audio-Visual Jim Gracey, Tom Lykins

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 18

8:30 am – Worship Service – Chapel
10:00 am – Worship Service – Sanctuary
10:15 am – Sunday School
10:15 am – Youth Bibles & Bagels – YR
11:15 am – Chapel Choir Rehearsal – FH
2:00 pm – Confirmation class 7th grade – YR
3:00 pm – Confirmation class 8th grade – YR

Tuesday, September 20

11:00 am – 9:00 p.m. – UWF Dining Fundraiser

Wednesday, September 21

9:00 am – Women's Bible Study – Rm 213
10:00 am – Prayer Shawl Ministry – Parlor
4:30 pm – Angel Choir rehearsal – Rm 16
5:00 pm – Family Dinner – Gym
5:00 pm – Cherub Choir rehearsal – CH
5:00 pm – Chorister Choir rehearsal – FH
5:45 pm – Connection Choir rehearsal – FH
7:00 pm – Disciple Bible Study – Rm 213
7:00 pm – Confirmation class 7th grade – YR

Thursday, September 22

9:00 am – Rachel Circle – Rm 213
12:45 pm – Ruth Circle – Rm 202
7:30 pm – Chancel Choir rehearsal – FH

Sunday, September 25

8:30 am – Worship Service – Chapel
10:00 am – Worship Service – Sanctuary
10:15 am – Sunday School
2:00 pm – Confirmation class 7th grade – YR
3:00 pm – Confirmation class 8th grade – YR
CH – Chapel Hall FH – Fellowship Hall YR – Youth Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join the Spirit Squad

We're starting a Spirit Squad to cheer on our youth at concerts, sporting events, and more! All are invited to join. To receive invitations to these events please contact Pastor Andi at 630.968.7120, x211 or andi@dgfumc.org.