

First Congregational Church of Winona

United Church of Christ

13th Sunday after Pentecost

9:45 a.m.

August 22, 2021

Prelude

Sandy Todd

Invitation to Worship

Rev. Danielle Bartz

Chimes

Call to Worship

One: To worship is to listen for the ancient song of creation and to recognize within that song our individual songs.

Many: To worship is to share these melodies and dissonances of our human condition.

One: Our voices vary: some warble, some bellow, but the song is universal.

Many: It is our ode to God, and to the God within us. Let us join and worship God.

Morning Prayer

God of Life, who bears changes within our souls like the flowing of the tides, we ask your great and gracious presence with us. We your children call upon you and ask that you hear us. Help us to feel the steady rhythm of your body all around us. Share your life with us, for we need you, and we know how different life can be when your Spirit fills us with your powerful love. Amen.

Call for Offering

**Special offering also being received for Haiti Relief*

Anthem

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.

Prayer of Dedication

May these gifts bring light to those who walk in shadow, hope to those who live in despair, and justice to those who are oppressed. Grant to each giver a sense of participation in the most important opportunity of all time: to share your love with the world. To this end, we dedicate our offerings and ourselves. Amen.

Scripture Reading

John 6:56-69

Sermon

"Questions and Memories"

Pastoral Prayer

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

Announcements

Benediction and Blessings

Chimes

Postlude

**Worship will begin at 10:00am starting
Sunday August 29, 2021**