

First Congregational Church of Winona

United Church of Christ

15th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m.

September 18, 2022

Prelude

Sandy Todd

Invitation to Worship

Rev. Danielle Bartz

Chimes

Call to Worship

One: Creator God, for your infinite grace we praise you.

Many: **We praise you!**

One: Loving Christ, for your amazing love we thank you.

Many: **We thank you!**

One: Holy Spirit, in your life-giving power we worship you.

Many: **We worship you! Alleluia!**

*Hymn

"O God in Whom All Life Begins"

#401, Black Hymnal

*Morning Prayer

Creator God, you speak the world into being. By your life-giving word you heal us and make us new. Speak your word to us now, and lead us in the way of your grace.

Amen.

*Passing the Peace

Towards the Camera: "The Peace of Christ Be With You!"

Towards one another: "And with you!"

Affirmation of New Membership

Bonnie and Ken Gleesing

Marianne Harding

Nadine Bayer

Julie Splittstoesser

Call for Offering

Anthem

Senior Choir

*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 (unison)

Steadfast One, receive our gifts in the gladness we give them. We thank you that we have abundance of resources to share so that every need is met. May we always give from wide open hearts, and may what we give be used to bring a balm of justice.

Amen.

Scripture Reading

John 16:16-22

Translation by Rev. Dr. Wilda Gafney

Sermon

Liminal Space

Joys/Concerns/Requests for Prayers

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

*Hymn

"What Gift Can We Bring?"

#370, Black Hymnal

Benediction and Blessings

Chimes

Postlude

*As you are comfortably able, please rise in body and Spirit