

Welcome to



John Calvin Presbyterian Church



Sunday, September 25th, 2022

16th Sunday After Pentecost/Proper 21

Lectionary Readings:

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

Psalm 91: 1-6, 14-16

1st Timothy 6:6-19

Luke 16:19-31

PRELUDE

Shirley Kaczmarski

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY SHARING

Rev. Kathleen Henrion

OPENING HYMN

#52: "O God Our Help in Ages Past"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: The word has come for us from God:

All: who promises to shelter us under the wings of hope and grace.

Liturgist: The word has come to us from Jesus:

All: who encourages us to remember the good news we have received.

Liturgist: The word flows to us from the Spirit:

All: who reminds us to place our hope and trust in God.

HYMN

#26: "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Liturgist

When we fall into the traps
of groundless fears,
 you deliver us.

When an epidemic of worry
threatens to overcome us,
 you protect us.

When harmful words
are flung at us,
 you answer our cries for help.

Gracious God,
we worship you.

When our lives crumble,
 you urge us to buy hope's fields.
When we are tempted by wealth,
 you point us to those
 who have nothing but share everything.

When we are eager
to grasp senseless lies,
 you wrap our hands
 around God's promises.

Servant of the poor,
we follow you.

When the world silences our hope,
 you give us the words to make
 the good confession of faith.

When we have lost our way
and can no longer endure
the emptiness of our lives,
 you satisfy us from the abundance

of God's grace and joy.
Sheltering Spirit,
we seek your peace.

God in Community, Holy in One,
our Refuge, our Trust, our Hope,
we lift our prayer to you
as Jesus has taught us, saying,
(The Lord's Prayer)

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Liturgist

In God's presence, our lives are exposed, our words are shown for their hollowness, our need is revealed. Let us confess who we are, as we ask God to embrace us with grace and hope.

UNISON PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

All: We need to confess, God of Abraham and Lazarus, how often we are not content with the simple gifts and lives you offer. Tempted by everything, we can become insensitive to those who have nothing. Encouraged by the world to accumulate more, we may miss the chance to gather your goodness and godliness. Chasing after all which has no value, we may not have the energy to pursue the faith, the love, the gentleness you have for us.

Forgive us, God of Reversals. You have sent the One who speaks the words we need to listen to in order to have life. Help us to remember how you have redeemed us, and in remembering, may we make that good confession that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior, now and forever.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Kathleen Henrion

Leader: This is the good news that comes from God: I will hear your prayers, I will answer with hope and peace, I will deliver you from your sins.

All: God has covered us with grace; under God's hope we will find shelter. Thanks be to God. Amen.

RESPONSE

"Gloria Patri (Glory Be to the Father)"

System 1: Chords: E \flat , B \flat sus, B \flat 7, E \flat , B \flat , E \flat , B \flat , C \flat m7
Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the

System 2: Chords: B \flat , F, B \flat , E \flat , A \flat , E \flat , B \flat
Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er

System 3: Chords: E \flat , B \flat 7, E \flat , B \flat 7, E \flat
shall be, world with - out end. A - men, A - men.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SPECIAL MUSIC

"River of Life" by Mac Powell

Amy Brixey

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 16:19-31 (NRSVue)

The Rich Man and Lazarus

19 "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. **20** And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, **21** who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. **22** The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham.^[a] The rich man also died and was buried. **23** In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side.^[b] **24** He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.' **25** But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. **26** Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' **27** He said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— **28** for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' **29** Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' **30** He said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' **31** He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.' "

HYMN OF RESPONSE

#259: "Breathe on Me Breath of God"

SERMON

"A Rich Man's Regret"

Rev. Kathleen Henrion

DEDICATION FOR THE OFFERING

May our gifts this day go to serve those who need healing, those who are hungry, those who need a friend or community, and those who are on the other side of

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that chasm we call indifference. We may not always notice them, but you do, and so we pray that they might be touched by your grace and hope. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

OFFERING

RESPONSE

"Doxology"

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all crea - here be - low;

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Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of two systems of piano accompaniment and vocal lines. The first system contains five measures of music, and the second system contains five measures, starting with a measure number '6'. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines.

CLOSING HYMN

"Blessed Assurance"

SENDING AND BENEDICTION

God sends us from this place with a word of hope.

We will offer the shelter of grace to all in need.

Jesus sends us out with the word of life.

We will seek to share community with those we will meet.

The Spirit sends us into a world which longs for justice.

We will trust that God's freedom will be offered to all people.

JCPC Prayer List

JCPC Family

Cindy Lay
Mary Smith
Bob Messersmith
Elva Holder

Kathy Doty
Rev. Dr. John R. Shear
Stuart and Robin Kinkuist

Members in a Care Facility

Arlene Walters

Friends of Our JCPC Family

Randy Gross- C. Lay brother
Charlie Peters- W. Myer's cousin
Denise Kinkuist- S. Kinkuist sister
Friend of Heather Wolz
Marian Young- L. Schoonover's mother
Ronald Schoonover, L. Schoonover's father
Anderson family, L. Schoonover's friend
Carole Greer- Barclay's friend
Lois Rawlings and family
Lois Smith- Myers neighbor
Mark Kesner, K. Doty's cousin
Melanie Williams-Harvey, R. Kinkuist sister
Charles Barnes, S. Tyler's son-in-law
Amelia Sanchez, S. Tyler's great granddaughter
Kelly Koch, H. Wolz' uncle
Bill Gross & Marie, C. Lay's father & stepmother

Prayers for Thanksgiving and Praise

Missy Tebbe
Arlene Turner, M. Myer's aunt (recovering and well)
Lori Eichler, M. Myer's friend (recovering and well)

For prayer requests and updates, please contact Marion Elliot at (314) 739-5372

ANNOUNCEMENTS | September 25th, 2022

Community Helping Ministries Update

The donations from JCPC were delivered this past week to Community Helping Ministries, and the representatives wanted to extend their gratitude for our combined efforts. The items that were delivered were used in food packs that were assembled and distributed the same day the donations were dropped off!

CHM is still in need of food donations and are asking for the following items: **peanut butter, jelly, canned veggies (excluding corn), cereal, soups with meat, tuna/canned meats, canned pasta, dry pasta.**

We continue your continued efforts to support our community and those impacted by food shortages.



Church Potluck on October 2nd



Potluck

We will be hosting a potluck meal following worship on Sunday, October 2nd! We are asking for dishes according to last name:

- A-G:** Desserts
- H-O:** Main Dishes
- P-Z:** Sides

We are looking forward to a time of shared food and fellowship!

A message of thanks:

We would like thank everyone for the flowers, cards, and all of the prayers. The older you get things are a bit tougher to work out. But a lot of prayer and a lot of help we'll make it. Thanks.

Bob Messersmith



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Goldtimers at Fratelli's Ristorante!

Our Goldtimers will be gathering at Fratelli's Ristorante on **Friday, October 14th** at **11:30 AM** for a time of fellowship and great food!

Please indicate if you will be joining us by signing up in the welcome area, or by contacting the church office. All are welcome!

JCPC at Bridgeton Fall Festival

John Calvin Presbyterian Church will host a tent at the upcoming Bridgeton Fall Festival on Friday, October 7th from 6-8 PM! We are planning to hand out information for our new location and to promote our Trunk or Treat and other upcoming events.

If you are interested in representing JCPC, please contact the church office.



Upcoming Presbyterian Women Meeting

The JCPC Presbyterian Women group will meet next Saturday, October 1st from 9:30-11:30 AM for a time of discussion and prayer. We invite you to join us!

Please submit announcements by Tuesday at 5:30 PM to jpcovd@gmail.com

CHURCH CALENDAR and BIRTHDAYS September 2022 | October 2022

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

September 25th- October 1st

Sunday, September 25th

9:00 AM- Movie Discussion Group

10:30 AM- Worship

Monday, September 26th

Church Office Closed

7:00 PM- Boy Scouts Troop 766

Tuesday, September 27th

6:30 PM- Leadership Committee Meeting

Wednesday, September 28th

Birthdays: Shirley Kaczmarek | Sue Tyler

6:30 PM- Session MIF Task Force Meeting

Thursday, September 29th

6:15 PM- Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 30th

Saturday, October 1st

UPCOMING EVENTS

Church Potluck

Sunday, October 2nd | 12 PM

Bridgeton Festival @ BMAC

Friday, October 7th | 6-8 PM

Goldtimers @ Fratelli's

Friday, October 14th | 11:30 AM

Mahalia Matinee in Sanctuary

Sunday, October 16th | 1 PM

Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 30th | 3-5 PM

Building Dedication Service

Sunday, November 13th | 10:30 AM

JOHN CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH | TRUNK OR TREAT

We are excited for the return of our Trunk or Treat event on **Sunday, October 30th** from **3:00-5:00 PM!** This is a fun, safe, family friendly event- and best of all- FREE!

We have promotional materials to hand out for this event-please feel free to take a handful or two to hand out in your neighborhood and around the community!

Interested in hosting a Trunk?

Contact the church office or Amy Brixey with your name and decoration ideas. Please submit entries by October 21st.

Interested in donating candy?

We have a basket in the welcome area where candy donations can be placed. *We are asking for candy and treats that DO NOT contain peanuts or tree nuts.*

We are looking forward to a successful event and sharing our ministry of welcome!



A message from Rev. Henrion:

Grace and peace to you,

With sincere love and deep gratitude, I am writing to share the news of my resignation as the interim pastor of John Calvin Presbyterian Church. My last Sunday with you will be on October 16th.

It has been an honor and privilege to be your pastor this past year. I had hoped that our ministry partnership could continue so that we might complete the tasks of interim ministry together in preparation for your next called and installed pastor. At this time, however, my family's circumstances require that I take a full-time position. Since the Session of JCPC was unable to transition my pastorate to full-time, it is necessary that I serve elsewhere.

At the end of October, I will begin a new pastorate as the full-time installed pastor of Glendale Presbyterian Church in Glendale, MO. I am excited about this new beginning, even as I grieve leaving JCPC.

It is important that you know this resignation and my change to a new position do not come out of any unhappiness with JCPC. It has been a joy to serve God alongside you and I genuinely believe the Holy Spirit orchestrated our paths crossing for this season. You have been such a steady source of love and support for my family and me through both joyful and difficult times.

As surely as I believe that God is guiding me in this decision, I also believe that God will guide you in finding someone to minister to and with you in the future. Your passion for God and this community are a source of strength that I believe will serve you well as you live into God's call for you in your new location. I look forward to seeing how God's plan for JCPC will unfold in the years to come.

From now until October 18th I will continue to pastor this church, engaging fully in the ministry we have yet to do together and the bittersweet process of saying goodbye. I ask for your prayers and understanding as we all make this transition.

Most sincerely,

Rev. Kathleen Henrion

John Calvin Presbyterian Church

Welcome to John Calvin Presbyterian Church

We are so glad you are here!

- Please feel free to stop by our welcome area and get a nametag if you do not already have one.
- Our worship and communion services are open to all. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to make your time with us more welcoming and comfortable.
- Please see any of our greeters or ushers if you have any accessibility needs/requests.
- **Restrooms** are located across the hall from the sanctuary entrance as well as in the fellowship area. Please see an usher if you need directions.
- Please feel free to join us for fellowship time following worship!

For more information on John Calvin Presbyterian Church, please visit JCPChurch.org!

Do you have a passion to serve?

We are always in need of members and volunteers to help serve in various ways at John Calvin Presbyterian Church! If you feel called to serve, please contact the church office, or see any of the worship stewards, and we will be happy to connect you with the appropriate team!

**“There is one body, but many parts. But all parts make up one body.
So it is with Christ.”**

-1 Corinthians 12:12-

Thank you for your consideration!