

**October 14, 2018 – 10:00 am**  
**21st Sunday after Pentecost**

**ST. JOHN UNITED  
CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Our mission is to worship and serve God  
in our church, community, and the world.



**Mark 10:17-31 "The man turned away saddened"**

***We are an Open and Affirming congregation,  
where all are welcome.***

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Please respond with words in **bold** print.

\*Please stand if comfortably able

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- WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
- THE BELLS CALL US INTO SILENT REVERENCE.
- THE CANDLES ARE LIT TO LIGHT OUR WAY.
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PRELUDE: **“A Joyous Acclamation” Lani Smith**

\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP: Based on Psalm 22

One: Come, all who look for God with unseeing eyes.  
Come, all who listen for God but hear nothing.

**MANY: Oh, that we knew where to find God!**

**We want to hear and understand God’s Word.**

One: The word of God is living and active.

It pierces and judges and opens us to God’s grace.

**MANY: We cannot hide from God who knows us.**

**God understands our thoughts and intentions.**

One: Leave everything to follow Jesus in this hour.  
This is the time to embrace new ways.

**MANY: Here we set the patterns for everyday life.**

**Here we are strengthened for every day’s challenges.**

\*OPENING HYMN: **NCH 293 “Sweet , Sweet Spirit”**

\*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

**We seek to gather as children of your realm, reigning God. This is the time and place of your dominion. We recognize that you, not we, prescribe the rules under**

which life can be rich and full and free. Help us in this hour to embrace the best we know. Open our thoughts and feelings so we may learn better ways. We approach you with boldness, daring to question and make requests, knowing that your grace and mercy exceed our wildest imaging, and your guidance is ever available to those who ask. Amen.

**\*GLORIA: NCH 759**

**Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit, Three-in-One; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

**EPISTLE READING: Hebrews 4:12-16 Lay Liturgist**

**TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL:**

**\*GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 10:17-31**

**SERMON: "Money Can't Buy Me Love"**  
as sung by the Beatles

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE: "Take My Life and Let it Be"**  
(On Screen)

**PASTORAL PRAYER: Beginning with Silent Prayer**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed it be your 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.**

**PRAYER RESPONSE: NCH 765 "Alleluia"**

**I will praise you, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**I will praise you, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES AND SELVES**

**OFFERTORY: "Jesus Is Calling" Franklin Ritter**

**\*DOXOLOGY: NCH 780**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Praise God above you, heavenly host;**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION:**

**Thank you, God, for the wealth you have entrusted to us. As we share a portion of that wealth, we pray that it may never become the object of our affection. Keep our focus on people and relationships and lasting values, rather than on the possessions we can accumulate. We dedicate our time, money, and ourselves to the reign of God among us, praying that all whom our gifts may reach may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Amen.**

**\*SENDING HYMN: NCH 312**

**"We Love Your Realm, O God"**

**\*BENEDICTION:**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE: NCH 75 Verse 1**

**Lord, make me more holy.**

**Lord, make me more holy.**

**Lord, make me more holy, until we meet again.**

**Holy, holy, holy, until we meet again.**

POSTLUDE: **“God is Our Salvaion”** Chester Nordman



**PRAYER LIST:** *Today we lift up in prayer* Ivy Schneider  
*And prayers for healing:* Ted Bauer, Tom Petroff, Dave Seneczyn, Roger Fox, Ardella Morris, Eric White, Eileen Cox, Alice Stidham, Amy Iverson, Pat Holtgrave, Sandy Fort, Darlene Bax, Stacy Bunetic

***Serving in Christ's Name:***  
**Ministers** – All members of St. John UCC

***Participants in Today's Worship:***

**Pastor** – Rev. Rosemary Captain  
**Minister of Music** – Sharon Banjavcic  
**Liturgist** – Anne Brown  
**Ushers** – Sue Ganschinietz & Sue Sharp

***Activities of the church:***

**Every Sunday** - Adult Sunday school at 8:45 a.m.  
**Monday** - Evening Circle 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday** – Boy Scouts 7 p.m..  
**Thursday** - AA meeting 7 p.m.  
Pastor Rosemary will be on vacation until  
Tuesday, Oct. 23