



ELIJAH KELLOGG CHURCH, Congregational

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07/31/2022 ~ Eighth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Proper 13 ~ Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
~ Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9, 43; Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23; Psalm 49:1-12;
Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21.

ELIJAH KELLOGG CHURCH WORSHIP

July 31, 2022 - Eight Sunday after Pentecost; Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thought for Meditation — “Human progress is neither automatic nor inevitable. Every step toward the goal of justice requires sacrifice, suffering, and struggle; the tireless exertions and passionate concern of dedicated individuals.” — Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace...

* Call to Worship — (Responsive)

ONE: The Spirit descends like a dove, bringing peace to unite the world as we strive to form a just and caring community.

MANY: The Spirit comes like a breath, bringing life to renew the people of God.

ONE: The Spirit brings energy to empower us to witness to the love of God.

MANY: Spirit of the living God, come to us and transform our lives by the reality of Your love.

*** Prayer of Invocation and Lord’s Prayer (debts and debtors)**

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.

* **HYMN** — *My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less*

INTRODUCTION TO SCRIPTURE

Harpwell Community Radio – WHPW 97.3 FM

Harpwell Community Television – Channel 14

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/7960701>

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS — Luke 12:13-21 [ILV]

[13] Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me, to give me my share of the inheritance.”

[14] Jesus replied, “Friend, who has set me to be as your judge or arbitrator?” [15] The Rabbi then said to the crowd, “Take care! Be on your guard against greed in all its forms; your life is not made more secure by an abundance of possessions, by what you own— even when you have more than what you need.”

[16] Jesus then offered a parable: “There was a rich farmer whose land produced abundantly, who had a good harvest.”

[17] “What should I do, what will I do since I have no place to store this abundance?” [18] I know! ‘I will pull down all my grain bins, my barns, and build larger ones. All my grain and all my good will go there. [19] And I will say to myself, ‘You have ample blessing in reserve, for many years to come, goods laid up for many, many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry!’”

[20] “But God said to the farmer, ‘You fool! This very night your life will be required of you. And the those things you have prepared, whose will they be? To whom will your acquired wealth go?’”

[21] “So this is the way it works for those who store up treasures, riches, for themselves but are not rich in God.”

Anthem — “As You Serve” (Joel Raney)

Sermon — *Life or Death?*

Piano Meditation —

Prayers of the People and Pastoral Prayer

SILENCE

* **HYMN** — *My Faith, It Is an Oaken Staff*

BENEDICTION

Choral Blessing

Postlude

Serving you this morning:	
Minister	Rev. Mr. Joseph Connolly
Music Director	Sue Luce
Pianist	Elizabeth Cromwell
Reader	Josie Davies
Ushers	Bill & Kay Hunter



The flowers today are in memory of Bill's parents and sister, William, Helen and KayMcLin,
from Bill McLin and Mac McKeon.

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Matt. 7:24-27; 1 Cor. 3:11; Heb. 6:19; Rev. 11:15

Edward Mote, c. 1834; alt.

1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je - sus' love and
2 When shad - ows veil my Sav-ior's face, I rest up - on un -
3 Christ's oath and cov - e - nant and blood sup - port me in the
4 When Christ shall come with trum-pet sound, oh, may I then in

righ-teous-ness; I dare not trust this earth - ly frame, but
chang-ing grace; In ev - ery high and storm - y gale, my
ris - ing flood; When all a - round my soul gives way, Christ
Love be found, Dressed in God's righ - teous - ness a - lone, fault -

Refrain
whol-ly lean on Je - sus' name.
an-chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id Rock, I stand;
then is all my hope and stay.
less to stand be - fore the throne.

all oth - er ground is sink-ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink-ing sand.

My Faith, It Is an Oaken Staff

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Thomas T. Lynch, 1818-1871

THE STAFF OF FAITH 8.6.8.6.8.8.8.6.

Traditional Swiss Melody



1 My faith, it is an oak - en staff, The trav - eler's well-loved aid;
2 I have a guide, and in his steps When trav - el - ers have trod,
3 My faith, it is an oak - en staff, O let me on it lean!



My faith, it is a weap-on stout, The sol - dier's trust-y blade.
Wheth - er be - neath was flint - y rock Or yield - ing grass - y sod,
My faith, it is a trust - y sword, May false - hood find it keen!



I'll trav - el on, and still be stirred By si - lent thought or so - cial word;
They cared not, but with force un-spent, Un-moved by pain, they on - ward went,
Thy spir - it, Lord, to me im - part, O make me what thou ev - er art,



By all my per - ils un - de - terred, A sol - dier - pil - grim staid.
Un - stayed by pleas - ures, still they bent Their zeal - ous course to God.
Of pa - tient and cou - ra - geous heart, As all true saints have been.



Prayer Requests for July 31, 2022

At home...

Ed Phinney

Nancy Andersen

In nursing homes...

Sam Wright
David Ferris

In assisted living...

Tom Jones
Jane Collins
Joan Phillips

Ernestine Machesney
Evangeline Sparks

Away...

Ellie and George Patterson

Sick, in the hospital or rehabilitation...

Brandon
Trina
Linda Oehme
Gloria

Andrea
Dawn
Valerie Bailey Caron
Fryah Morgan

C V Noyes
Connie Henry
Jessica

Recovering from illness or surgery...

Grieving...

Family of John Locke
Family of Rev. Dr Glen Miller
Family of Peggy Anderson
Family of Lorna Kaufman

Thanksgivings...

Special concerns...

Emergency responders / Health care workers / Essential workers...

Praise God for our partnership with WHPW and Channel 14!

Please keep those named above in your prayers. If you have any questions, or would like others to be prayed for, please contact Susan Ferris, Chairperson of our Prayer Circle. Susan can be reached at 666-3247 or sueherb@myfairpoint.net.

Thank you

Minister's office hours for the week of August 1st Tuesday afternoon / evening 4pm – 7pm

A MOMENT FOR MISSIONS

(A gentle reminder)

Your Missions Board does not meet again until September, but the needs continue, especially in the extreme heat.

Therefore, food contributions should continue and perhaps include:

Canned meats (canned chicken becomes chicken salad)

Tuna, likewise

Jell-O's, a cool treat requiring only water to make

Crystal Light Lemonade mix, refreshing

Instant Iced teas

Items for a cold pasta salad—

A great time to use your imagination to help others.

THANK YOU !!!

Your Board of Missions

Holiday Fair Silent Auction

Mark your calendars for the Elijah Kellogg Church Holiday Fair on October 8th. Preparations are beginning, and thank you to the folks who have already agreed to chair different areas of the fair. We are in good shape! This year, the Silent Auction will be chaired by a committee of folks, working together, to make the auction happen. To date, we have three folks who have volunteered to be on the committee, and we are looking for a few more. This committee will decide if the auction will be held in person during the fair, or held online as we did last year.

Please contact Nancy Simboli or Carrie Bubier if you wish to join the auction committee, and be part of the fun!

Thank you, Nancy & Carrie