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ELIJAH KELLOGG CHURCH WORSHIP

September 25, 2022

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost; Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thoughts for Meditation — “Transformation is often more about unlearning than learning.” — Richard Rhor

“Jesus lives.... Easter is about this. To reduce it to a spectacular miracle a long time ago and a hope for an afterlife is to diminish it and domesticate it. It is not about heaven. It is about the transformation of this world.” — Marcus Borg

“Awakening is cultural change that transforms the ways in which people gather, form community, and make meaning— it is an occasional historical occurrence of social transformation. Awakening does not typically result in larger conventional churches; it results in transformed religious understanding and practice.” — Diana Butler Bass

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace...

* Call to Worship — (Responsive)

ONE: Let us gather together as the people of God.

MANY: God reigns through all generations.

ONE: The faithfulness of God in all times and in all places is unsurpassed.

MANY: Let us gather together to proclaim our trust in God for God is our refuge and our strength.

*** Prayer of Invocation**

* **HYMN** — *God Himself Is With Us*

Time for all ages

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.

OFFERTORY INVITATION

*OFFERING RESPONSE (DOXOLOGY)

Old One-hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, in whom all grace we know.
Praise to the Spirit, evermore;
One God, Triune, Whom we adore.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INTRODUCTION TO SCRIPTURE

A READING FROM LUKE/ACTS — Luke 16:19-31 [ILV]

Anthem — "Dona Nobis Pacem" (Sonja Poorman)

Sermon — *Frightened*

Piano Meditation —

Prayers of the People and Pastoral Prayer

PETITIONS AND SILENCES

* **HYMN** — *O for a World*

BENEDICTION

Choral Blessing

Postlude

Serving you this morning:	
Interim Minister	Rev. Mr. Joseph Connolly
Music Director	Sue Luce
Pianist	Elizabeth Cromwell
Reader	Gail Johnson
Ushers	Amber & Ben Skinner

Harpwell Community Radio – WHPW 97.3 FM

Harpwell Community Television – Channel 14

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

God Himself Is With Us

Gerhardt Tersteegen, 1697-1769
Tr. Frederick W. Foster, 1760-1835, and others

ARNSBERG 6.6.8.6.6.8.3.3.6.6.
Melody by Joachim Neander, 1650-1680

1 God him-self is with us: Let us now a - dore him, And with awe ap -
2 God him-self is with us: Hear the harps re - sound - ing! See the crowds the
3 O thou Fount of bless - ing, Pu - ri - fy my spir - it; Trust - ing on - ly

pear be - fore him. God is in his tem - ple, All with - in keep
throne sur - round - ing! "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," Hear the hymn as -
in thy mer - it, Like the ho - ly an - gels Who be - hold thy

si - lence, Pros - trate lie with deep - est rev - erence. Him a - lone God we own,
cend - ing, An - gels, saints, their voices blend - ing! Bow thine ear To us here:
glo - ry, May I cease - less - ly a - dore thee, And in all, Great and small,

Him, our God and Sav - ior; Praise his name for - ev - er.
Hear, O Christ, the prais - es That thy Church now rais - es.
Seek to do most near - ly What thou lov - est dear - ly. A - men.



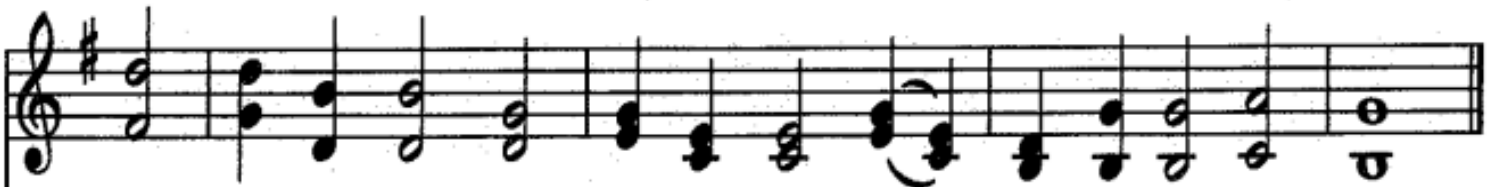
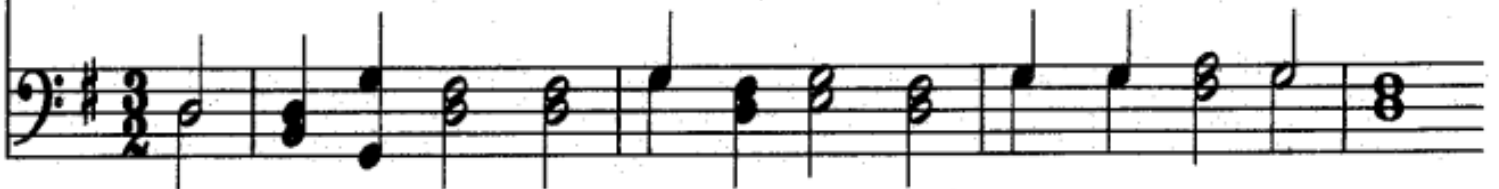
The flowers today are given by Kathy and Hubbard Goodrich
in loving memory of Kay McEwen and Carrington Goodrich

O for a World

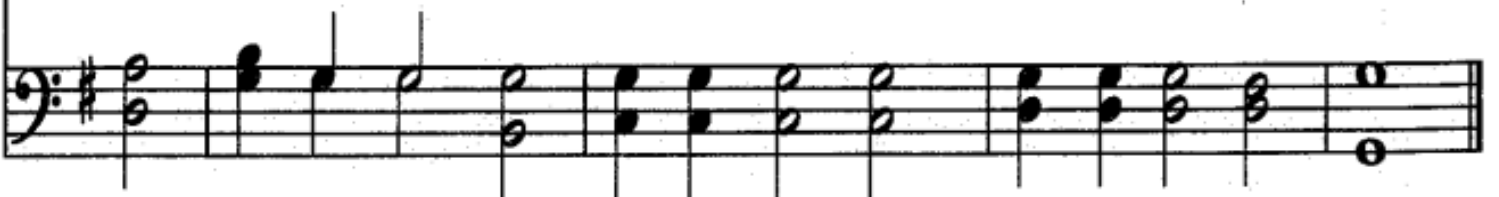
Miriam Therese Winter, 1987



1 O for a world where ev - ery - one re - spects each oth - er's ways,
2 O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,
3 We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice
4 The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the fool - ish ones are wise.
5 O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,



Where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.
Where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
That o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.
Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.



Prayer Requests for September 25, 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 Pike
Trina
Linda Oehme
Gloria

Andrea
Dawn
Valerie Bailey Caron
Jessica
Fryah Morgan

C V Noyes
Connie Henry

Recovering from illness or surgery...

Grieving...

Family of Elly & Charlie Cary, on the loss of Elly's sister, Thelma Reid
Family of Joan Chonko
Family of Diane St. Jean
Family of John Locke
Family of Peggy Anderson
Family of Lorna Kaufman

Thanksgivings...

Special concerns...

For the people of Siskiyou County in Northern California, suffering from the horrific wildfires, especially for those who have lost their homes

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

**Pastor's hours for the week of September 26th:
Tuesday the 27th from 9:am – 11:am**



Holiday Fair Auction Has Started!

Bidding for the Holiday Fair Auction began this past Friday at 5:PM!

If you have not done so already, you must register in order to bid.
To register, go to: <https://auctria.events/2022EKCHolidayFair>
Once you have registered, you can start bidding!

You will find over 60 amazing items to bid on. Bid high and bid often!

If you are outbid, you will be notified via email, and you will be given the option to bid again.

Bidding ends October 5th at 8:PM.

Get ready for some fun and excitement!

Thank you,
Patty O'Brien Carrier, Pat Myer, Rob Porter and Allen Tucker

Craft Group – Location update

With October approaching, the Craft Fair will be here before you know it! I need people to help set up and be at the table the day of the Fair. I hope everyone who does crafts is busy making some!

The Craft group will meet at Becky Gallery's house this week, Tuesday, September 27th from 9am – 12pm, 1839 Harpswell Neck Rd. Please bring a glue gun and an extension cord if you have one.

There will be NO lunch this week.