

Wilbraham United Church

October 22, 2017

10:00AM

Gathering Music:

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace

CALL TO WORSHIP

SUNG Leader: This Is the day
People: This is the day that the Lord has made

SPOKEN Leader: Come! Come, all you who are seeking God.
Come! Enter in to this place of protection and comfort
and discover that God is seeking us!
**People: We rejoice to have God find us here, as we
come seeking God!**

SUNG: Leader: This Is the day
People: This is the day that the Lord has made

SPOKEN: Leader: Come! Come in and experience God's joy when
we come together.
**People: Here in this sanctuary we worship, and meet
God!**

SUNG: Leader: This is the day
People: This is the day
Leader: That the Lord has made
People: That the Lord has made
Leader: Let us rejoice
People: Let us rejoice
Leader: and be glad in it
People: and be glad in it
This is the day that the Lord has made
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Leader: This is the day
People: This is the day that the Lord has made

****Hymn:** "El- Shaddai" # 123 *red hymnal*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

We seem to have lost the ability to see glory, God; We have forgotten how to recognise the glory that lives in the sacrifices of parents caring for their children; in the compassion of a stranger who gives his time and talent to care for sick and dying souls; in the courage of a peace-maker. Open our eyes to the glory all around us, the glory of crosses and opened graves in hopeless situations; the glory of your presence and creativity in dark and ugly and fearful places. Amen

WORDS OF ASSURANCE WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER (trespasses)

Let us pray the prayer Jesus taught us to pray...

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

A WORD FOR GOD'S CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

PSALTER Psalm 96 #815-816 (*red hymnal*)

SUNG RESPONSE: **Glorify Thy Name # 2016 (FWS
small black book)**

*Father, we love you, we worship and adore you
Glorify thy name in all the earth, Glorify thy name, glorify thy
name,
Glorify thy name in all the earth.
Jesus, we love you... Spirit, we love you...*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Thanksgivings and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Response *O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.*

When I call answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.

Come and listen to me.

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

Invitation to Give

Offertory Anthem: "God Calls Us Each By Name" Canedo

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

Praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Praise God the source of all our gifts. Praise Jesus Christ, whose
power up lifts!*

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Blessing the Gifts

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 33:12-23

Pew Bible Pg. 76

****HYMN:** "You Are Mine" # 2218 FWS *small black book*

SERMON: *Show Me Your Glory* Pastor Susan

****HYMN:** "Immortal, Invisible" # 103 *red hymnal*

WORDS OF DISMISSAL

Postlude

****All who feel comfortable may stand.**

Attention Visitors, Members and Friends! We bid you a very warm welcome and invite you to sign our Friendship Pad located in each pew. ***Immediately after the service, please join us for Fellowship and Refreshment in Fellowship Hall.***

MINISTERING TO YOU TODAY

Interim Minister: Rev. Susan L. Gibson

Music Director: Mark Jacobson

Dir. Of Christian Education: Paul Nesbit

Head Usher: Lee Miner

Ushers: Kim Ryan, Ralph Ridgeway, Herb Vierra, Skip Dearborn

Greeters: Jane Godfrey

Nursery Care: *Nanette Bernard and Kim Neelans*

Please Pray for: Joe Gubala, Joan Hoffmann, Judy Hoffmann, Patti Keiser, Nancy Peck, Gloria and Jim Russell, Those affected by the hurricanes. The people of Las Vegas. Our troops, our country and our world. Our Congregation, along with Christ the King-Epiphany, as we discern our future.



Please pray for the members of our Senior Minister Search Committee and their diligent work.

Members are: Tom Toman, Deb Trimble, Kim Neelans, Phyllis Walsh, Steve Niederfringer and Tina Bazarian.

Church Office hours: Monday - Thursday 9am – 1pm
The Church Office is **closed on Fridays**

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November Happenings from Women's Evening Fellowship

Women's Evening Fellowship cordially invites you to attend our next meeting, Tuesday November 14 at 7:30 PM in the Zeckhausen Room, when our guest speaker will be Charlie Bennett, Editor Emeritus of the *Wilbraham Hampden Times* and author of the *Times'* weekly feature "Talk of the Town." Charlie will delight us with his wit, wisdom, and vast knowledge of local history. Men are also invited to join us for this event. Delicious refreshments will be served.

November Bake Sale

Just in time for Thanksgiving, mark your calendars for Women's Evening Fellowship's bake sale to be held following worship on Sunday November 19. The sale will feature an array of tempting treats from the kitchens of WEF's membership. You are surely to find something to make your holiday week even sweeter. All proceeds from the bake sale benefit WEF's benevolences.

Save The Date: *The Secret Life of a Massachusetts Teen* will be presented by Jon Mattleman at 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 14th at MRHS. The talk is geared toward adults raising kids ages 11 - 18, but appropriate for adults raising younger children, as well. Jon will deliver a high-energy talk about communicating with pre-teens and teens with confidence, courage and a new language! He will provide strategies that the audience can immediately implement! This program is brought to you by the Hampden-Wilbraham Partners for Youth coalition. For more information email Ruth at RDicristoforo@hwrtd.org or go to HWP4Y.org

SEPTEMBER PLEDGE INCOME REPORT

Annual Pledge Income Budget \$210,000

Pledge Income through September \$179,661

Adjusting pledge receipts for the pre-paid pledges, and considering that there are 53 Sundays this year, pledge receipts are \$9,555 ahead of year-to-date budget. That's good news, and we thank you. Our problem is that we began the year with a budget for which budgeted expenses exceeded budgeted income by \$64,182.

This Week at Wilbraham United

TODAY, Oct. 22

10am Sunday Morning Worship
11:15am Fellowship & Refreshment
11:15-12:30 TS
2:30pm WUP Show- F. Hall
6:00 pm AI Anon - YR

Mon. 10/23:

9:15am Yoga
10:00 Piecemakers - BR

Tues. 10/24:

9:30 Staff - LIB
6:30 - Daisys - HR
7:00pm Worship Comm - LIB
7:30 pm WEF -FH

Wed. 10/25:

3:30 Girl Scouts - HR
6:00pm - Cub Scouts -HR
6:00pm AIAnon - YR

Thu. 10/26:

1:00pm - Volunteer Lunch Thrift Shop -FH
4:00pm Prayer Study Group
4:00 Brownies -HR
6:00pm AI Anon - YR
7:00pm Bells rehearsal &
7:45pm Sr. Choir rehearsal -CR

Fri. 10/27:

9:30-12:30 Thrift Shop - 8 & 10B

Sat. 10/28

9:30-12:30 Thrift Shop - 8 & 10B
10:00am Jr Choir

Sun. 10/29:

10am Sunday Morning Worship- Sanctuary
11:15am Fellowship & Refreshment- F. Hall
4:00pm Halloween Party - FH All Welcome
6:00pm AI Anon - YR

