Pentecost Sunday June 5, 2022

United Church of Christ, Neillsville Lay Person - Barb Shoemaker

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PRELUDE "Joyful, Joyful We Adore You"

Henry van Dyke Holly Pisors

RINGING OF THE BELLS WELCOME AND ANNOUNCMENTS

"No Matter Who You are, or Where You are on Life's Journey, You are Welcome Here!!"

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come and gather with us today to worship God and to listen to a call for our lives.

All: We come seeking how you, God, would move us toward being more loving and more caring as we live out our lives individually and as a community of faith.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)

Creator God, as you join us today, we ask that you open our eyes to new ways of seeing you active in our world, open our minds to new ways of thinking about you and open our hearts to love more than ever before. Hear, this day, our prayers and our praise. It is in Jesus' name that we pray. Amen

OPFNING HYMN

"Christian, Rise and Act Your Creed"
#537 NCH Francis Albert Rollo Russell

1 Christian, rise and act your creed; let your prayer be in your deed; Seek the right, perform the true, raise your work and life anew.

2 Hearts around you sink with care, you can help their load to bear; You can bring inspiring light, strengthen them to do the right.

3 Offer others hope and joy, and God's worship your employ; Giving thanks in humble zeal, learning all God's will to feel.

4 Come then, law divine, and reign: faith that doubt assails in vain, Perfect love bereft of fear, born in heaven and radiant here.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, SILENT PRAYER and OUR LORD'S PRAYERS (in Unison)

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

SERVICE OF GIVING AND SHARING

PRAYER OF DEDICIATION (Unison)

Thank you God who is love, who reaches out to care for all of humankind and in fact to all of creation. We are grateful for the opportunity, through our time, talent and treasures, to help those in need in your church here in Neillsville, in the community and the world. Amen

READING OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

Luke 10:25-37 Reader Bonnie Weyer
The Parable of the Good Samaritan

²⁵ Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. ^[a] 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' ²⁶ He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' ²⁷ He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' ²⁸ And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

²⁹ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' 30 Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. 31 Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. 33 But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. 35 The next day he took out two denarii, [b] gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." 36 Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' 37 He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'



MESSAGE "Answering God's Call"
Barb Shoemaker

CLOSING HYMN "Jesus Calls Us, o'er the Tumult" #172 NCH Cecil F. Alexander

1 Jesus calls us, o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea; Day by day that voice still calls us, saying, "Christian, follow me."

2 As of old, Saint Andrew heard it by the Galilean lake, Turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for Jesus' sake.

3 Jesus calls us from the worship of the treasures we adore, From each idol that would keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more."

4 In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease, Jesus calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."

5 Jesus calls us! By your mercies, Savior, may we hear your call, Give our hearts to your obedience, serve and love you best of all.

BENEDICTION (2 Thess. 3:16)

POSTLUDE

(You are invited to stay seated for Postlude)

JOYS AND CONCERNS



WELCOME

We welcome you to our service of worship!
We are glad that you have joined us inperson, through the internet or on the radio.
We pray that you will hear God's call, seek to follow Jesus, led by the Holy Spirit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS RADIO BROADCAST 11 AM Sunday radio broadcast on WCCN 98.5FM and 1370AM

This week's radio broadcast is sponsored by Byrl & Sharon Buddenhagen In honor of all family members' June birthdays

No church announcements for coming week.

- Saturday, June 4th
 9-2 Vacation Bible School
- Monday, June 6th
 9 am card making
- Thursday, June 9th
 1:30 Circle of Friends Meeting
- Saturday, June 11th
 9 11 am visitation for Kathy Turner
 11 am Kathy Turner Memorial service