Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 28, 2022

United Church of Christ, Neillsville
Pastor Gary Wilner

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PRELUDE

"Prelude in Classic Style" Gordon Young
Karen Mohr

RINGING OF THE BELLS
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCMENTS

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

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)

Holy and righteous Shepherd, you still speak to us. We listen and respond to your glorious power, ready to worship you in word and deed, joyfully giving thanks, for you have enabled us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. Amen.

SONG "O for A Thousand Tongues to Sing" #42 NCH Charles Wesley

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, The glories ever echoing the triumphs of God's grace!

2 My gracious Savior and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.

3 Jesus! the name that calms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease Is music in the sinner's ears, is life, and health, and peace!

4 Glory to God, and love and praise be ever, ever given By all the saints in every age, the church in earth and heaven.

READING OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

1st Reading Timothy 2:8-15

2nd Reading 1st Corinthians 11:13-16

Reader - Paul Vine

The first reading today is from 1st Timothy 2: 8-15

Therefore, I want the men everywhere to pray, lifting up holy hands without anger or disputing. I also want the women to dress modestly, with decency and propriety, adorning themselves, not with elaborate hairstyles or gold or pearls or expensive clothes, but with good deeds, appropriate for women who profess to worship God.

A woman should learn in quietness and full submission. I do not permit a woman to teach or to assume authority over a man; she must be quiet. For Adam was formed first, then Eve. And Adam was not the one deceived; it was the woman who was deceived and became a sinner. But women will be saved through childbearing—if they continue in faith, love and holiness with propriety.

The second reading is from 1st Corinthians chapter 11 verses 13 to 16

Is it proper for a woman to pray to God with her head uncovered? Does not the very nature of things teach you that if a man has long hair, it is a disgrace to him, but that if a woman has long hair, it is her glory? For long hair is given to her as a covering. If anyone wants to be contentious about this, we have no other practice—nor do the churches of God.

This ends the reading of this morning's scriptures.

MESSAGE "God is Still Speaking" Pastor Gary

SONG "God is Still Speaking"

Kenneth O Mesle Sr. Tune: National Hymn

Karen Mohr

God is still speaking, sister can you hear? God is still speaking, brother, lend your ear. Neighbor, take note and listen carefully, Let us attend, to answer prayerfully.

God is still calling, naming each and all.
God is still calling, in the temple hall.
Through the Living Christ and from the Holy
Book.

Come change the sword to plowshare, spear to hook.

God is still giving, strength to all the weak.
God is still giving hope to all who seek.
O speaking God we thank you for your grace,
Throughout our world and surely in this
place.

SERVICE OF GIVING AND SHARING

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

May these gifts, O God, become action and intention, fulfilling Christ's commandment to love. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND SILENT PRAYER AND OUR LORD'S PRAYER

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

CLOSING HYMN "God is Still Speaking"

Debrah Patterson Tune: Morecambe

Karen Mohr

There is a comma, where we fear a pause, life rushes onward, past the grave and cross. God is still speaking -- still and quiet voice - more truth to break forth, giving each a choice.

Look to the morning past the dark of night. We say with courage, "All will be made right." Love is The Way, not doctrine made of stone: God is unfolding truth, not we alone.

We are God's people, spirit, dust and bone. Truths we hold dear were yesterday unknown. In our tomorrows there will surely be visions to challenge us, new shores to see.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Karen Mohr (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
in-person, 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 Wallace & Patricia Garbisch in honor of their 64th wedding anniversary.

Wednesday, August 31st – 8 AM Search Committee Meeting



We are fast approaching the end of another month, please get any articles into the office by August 29th

for the **September Newsletter**. Thanks, Janice





September 18, 2022 11:15 am-12:30 pm United Church of Christ Fellowship Hall Takeouts will be available