

Waupun United Methodist Church

October 4, 2020



*I press on  
toward the goal to  
win the prize for  
which God has  
called me  
heavenward  
in Christ  
Jesus.*

Philippians 3:14

**Come, let us worship God!**

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Announcements

Musical Call to Worship

**Call to Worship**

Let us worship a God of surprises!

Too often, we are told that winning is everything.

**Here, in this place, we glimpse God's reality that we must lose in order to gain.**

Too often, we believe that freedom means autonomy, that we are in charge of our own lives.

**Here we learn again that true freedom comes from God.**

**We are free when we follow Christ and obey God's commandments.**

Too often, we are told that we are what we have, that wealth reigns and power rules.

**Here we remind one another of God's good news:**

**"The stone that was rejected has become the chief cornerstone."**

Let us worship a God of surprises!

**Let us prepare our hearts to hear God's startling good news once again.**

Opening Music

"Grace Alone"

Opening Prayer

Message to/from the Children

"Be a spoon"

Bible Reading

on insert

Matthew 21:33-42

Music for Reflection

"My Hope Is Built"

Bible Reading

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Philippians 3:4b-14

Pastor's Message

"Everything else is skubala"

**Tithes and Offerings**

**Song of Thanksgiving**

**"Give Thanks"**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.  
(Repeat)**

**And now let the weak say, "I am strong".  
let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us." (Repeat)**

**Give thanks! Give thanks!**

Prayer of Dedication

**The Prayers of the People**

Pastoral Prayer

**Celebration of Communion**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Blessing**

Let us press on toward the goal:

**May each of us know Christ when we meet him in one another this week.**

**May each of us be Christ to the people we encounter.**

**May each of us share Christ and his message of redemptive love.**

**May each of us glorify Christ, living as people of the resurrection.**

**In the name of the triune God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. Amen.**

Today’s Worship Ministers:

A/V Technician:

Pianist:

Pastor/Worship Leader:

Counters:

**All of us**

Gary Schulz

Laura Ten Pass

Steve Miller

Steve Wendt and Gary Schulz

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Thanks to Nancy Vanderkin for sponsoring the bulletin this month: “In memory of Larry Vanderkin”

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

- Kayla DeChant
- Angie Federer
- Larry Stanton
- David Schrader, son of Susan
- Mason, grandson of Susan Schrader
- Ryan Giese, grandnephew of Jeanne Ludjack
- Those impacted by the coronavirus

**Remember our homebound**

At Home: Doris Laurain (in Indiana)

Christian Home: Louise Miescke, Mary Ziebel

Markesan Resident Home: Viola McRobert

Prairie Place, Ripon: Elaine Stanton, Larry Stanton

Prairie Ridge: June Witowich, Phyllis McDowell, Alice Chase

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