## **Denmark Manor United Church of Christ**

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### **Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

9/08/2024

Please remember to turn off your cell phones during the Worship Service. Thank you.

#### Prelude

### **Welcome and Announcements**

## **Centering Words:**

Everyone matters or no one matters. Here, everyone matters, and all are welcomed by the love of God.

(Brief moment of silence)

\*Ringing of the Bell

\*Introit: "Surely the Presence of the Lord"

All: Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place; I can feel his mighty power and His grace,

I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face, surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Denmark Manor seeks the inspiration of the Holy Spirit as we work together through.....

The Congregation	Disciples of Christ
Rev. Donald C. Watkins	Pastor
Cathy Higgins	Administrative Assistant
Joni Mattei	Music Director
Dan Bozym	Organist
Thad Balsley, Allen Latherow	Acolytes
Renee Hartung	Worship Leader

Attendance for Sept. 1, 2024: 42 Offering for Sept. 1, 2024: \$1,695.00

There is a weekly flower chart in the rear of the sanctuary. If you would like to place flowers on the altar in honor or in memory of someone, please sign up on the chart. There are strips on the bottom of the chart with Export Floral's phone number. They will place the flowers on the altar for the given day.

Today's flowers on the altar were given by Donna Watkins.

Today we welcome Rev. David Ackerman who has come to talk to us about the Keystone Conference.

Choir practice will be on Thursdays, at 7 p.m.

# "God is still speaking,"

#### **A Moment of Silent Reflection**

**Kyrie #750** 

Devotion: "A Guide to God's Way!"

All: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Words of Assurance: (Responsive)** 

L: God is good,

P: all the time.

L: And all the time,

P: God is good.

L: In God's goodness, we touch goodness.

P: In God's love, we receive love.

L: In God's grace and mercy,

P: we find fellowship with God's people.

\*Act of Praise ...... Gloria Patri

<u>All</u>: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## \*Passing the Peace of Christ:

Leader: As forgiven and reconciled children of Christ, let's share signs of reconciliation, love, and welcome with one another. May the peace of Jesus Christ be with you all!

People: And also, with you!

(Let us lovingly pass our greetings and wish peace to each other!)

Inspirational Lesson: 1 Timothy 3:1-16

Guiding Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:17-20

**Informative Discussion:** 

**The Keystone Project** 

Rev. David Ackerman

**Our Morning Prayers** 

Call to Prayer: "Hear our prayer, O God"

<u>All</u>: Hear our prayer, O God. Hear our prayer, O God. Incline your ear to us and grant us your peace.

Silent Prayer Prayer of Our Savior:

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.

Offering will be collected in the baskets at the rear of the sanctuary as you depart.

\*Call to Worship: (Responsive)

\*Hymn: Vs. 1&3

"Jesus Loves Me"

15. 103

\*The Benediction: (Responsive)

Pastor: Go as God's children.

People: We go as Christ's hands and feet.

Pastor: Go as God's faithful followers.

**People: We go to live our faith with love in action.** Pastor: Let all of God's children join and say together,

All: Amen.

\*Benediction Response: "Amen"

\*Postlude

Today is Rally Day! This will be held in Fellowship Hall following the service. Come and enjoy good food, fellowship, games and prizes.

First UCC of Harrison City will be holding a Red Cross blood drive on Thursday, September 19, 2024. If you would like to donate, please see the information sheet on the bulletin board.

First UCC of Irwin will be hosting a spaghetti dinner on Thursday, September 12, from 4-7 p.m. Info is available on the bulletin board.

L: Place your trust in God.

P: God's faithfulness is unshakeable.

L: May our worship this day strengthen our faith.

P: May our faithfulness be unshakeable.

L: May our words and actions be good and true.

P: May we grow in godliness each and every day.

\*Opening Prayer: (Unison)

We place our trust in you, O God, for your love and faithfulness are steadfast and true.

Breathe your Holy Spirit into our worship and your very presence into our lives, that our love and faithfulness may be steadfast and true. Amen.

\*Opening Hymn:

"Jesus Loves Me"

Vs. 1&2

Call to Reconciliation: Prayer of Yearning:

Creator God, you create all people in your image. When we neglect the needs of the poor, raise our commitment to care for others and to help create justice for all. When favoritism and prejudice blind us, and when we exclude and demean others, focus us on your inclusive love, a love that welcomes us and calls us to welcome others. Live in us and through us, that our lives and our actions may reflect your image in all that we say and in all that we do. Amen.