



# German Town

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## ***Traditional Order of Worship August 2, 2020 9th Sunday after Pentecost***

***The flowers gracing our sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Jeanne D. Barger's 86th birthday, August 5th from the Bryan Barger Family.***

*Flowers for the sanctuary are a treasured way to enhance worship, while honoring or remembering loved ones or commemorating a special occasion. For more information or to reserve a date, please contact Laura: L.Hairston@germantownumc.org or direct dial 758-6517.*

### **Prelude**

### **Aria**

### **Michael Burkhardt**

### **Opening Prayer**

**Our heavenly Father,  
we your humble children invoke your blessing on us.  
We adore you, whose name is love,  
whose nature is compassion, whose presence is joy,  
whose word is truth, whose Spirit is goodness,  
whose holiness is beauty, whose will is peace,  
whose service is perfect freedom,  
and in knowledge of whom stands our eternal life.  
Unto you be all honor and all glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Hymn**

### **How Can We Name a Love**

*In keeping with directions from our Bishop and the Center for Disease Control, congregational singing is discouraged at this time. The words of the hymn are included so that you might follow along with the singers and internalize the text for your spiritual growth.*

How can we name a Love that wakens heart and mind,  
indwelling all we know or think or do or seek or find?  
Within our daily world, in every human face,  
Love's echoes sound and God is found,  
hid in the commonplace.

If we awoke to life built on a rock of care  
that asked no great reward but firm, assured,  
was simply there,  
we can, with parents' names, describe, and thus adore,  
Love unconfined, a father kind, a mother strong and sure.

When people share a task, and strength and skills unite  
in projects old or new, to make or do with shared delight,  
our Friend and Partner's will is better understood,  
that all should share, create, and care,  
and know that life is good.

So in a hundred names, each day we all can meet  
a presence, sensed and shown at work, at home,  
or in the street.  
Yet every name we see, shines in a brighter sun:  
In Christ alone is Love full grown  
and life and hope begun.

## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting

Amen.

## Offering

Anthem

Bread of the World

Richard Shephard

*Bread of the world in mercy broken, wine of the soul in mercy shed,  
By whom the words of life were spoken, and in whose death our sins are dead.*

*Look on the heart by sorrow broken, look on the tears by sinners shed  
and be thy feast to us the token that by thy grace our souls are fed.*

## Pastoral Prayer

### 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 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.**

## Time for Children

Scripture

**Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21**

Sermon

**"Struggling toward Extravagance"**

Benediction

Postlude

Voluntary

David N. Johnson

### *Leading in Worship...*

*Rev. Dr. Brad Gabriel, Executive Minister • Preaching*

*Rev. Dr. Erin Beasley, Associate Pastor • Liturgist*

*Todd Wilson, Director of Music • Eva McPeters, Associate Director of Music*

*Larry Groh, Mary Groh, Libby Schielke, Todd Wilson • Quartet*

*Callie Beaver, Director of Children's Ministry • Children's Message*