Prayer Concerns

First Responders
Victims of natural disasters
Those suffering from mental illness
Those affected by gun violence
Those who are homeless
Stephen Ministers and Care Receivers
Our condolences to Rita Randall following the passing of her friend, Carl Miller
Jean S.
Jeff & Sharon B., lifted by Janis J.
Bob, Carole B.’s son
Josh O.
Donald R.
Mary Lou L.
Danielle, lifted by Alice & Andy
Sheryl, lifted by Sally S.
Scott, Barb B.’s brother-in-law
Keith A.
Gwen H.
Frank M.
Danielle, Gwen’s granddaughter
Russ, friend of David L.
Barb B.

Brian R.
Susan W.
Bill & Vince, lifted by Reba Y.
Jim, friend of Marilyn & Bill R.
Connie C.
Adrienne, lifted by Tom M.
Selene, lifted by Carole A.
Viola C.
Donna, sister of Carol N.
Donna, friend of Judy K.
Andy, Faye W.’s son
Israel, Sarah J.’s student
Bev, lifted by Josh O.
De Niro and family
Steve, Mary Ellen M.’s son
Kevin, friend of Barb & Ron C.
Dusty, nephew of Reba Y.
Darlene, friend of Barb A.
Sterling B.
Dawn, friend of Susan W.
Carol B., lifted by Ray & Jane
Zack, son of Jennifer G.
Lt. Col Bill G., USMC
Christopher Y., USAF
Cpl. Trevor C., USMC
Matthew F., USAF

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October 11, 2020 19th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Passing of the Peace (Philippians 4)
L: Let your gentleness be known to everyone,
P: and the God of peace will be with you.
L: The peace of Christ be with you.
P: And also with you.
L: Let us greet one another with a sign of God’s peace.

Ministries and Missions Announcements

Prelude He Will Walk with Me Gilbert Martin
Marlene Dirksen

Call to Worship (Psalm 106)
L: Praise the Lord. Give thanks for God’s goodness.
P: God’s steadfast love endures forever.
L: Happy are those who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times.
P: Save us, O Lord, and gather us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name, and glory in your praise.
L: Come and worship God!

This Week’s Birthdays

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Old Testament Reading  Psalm 23

Unison Prayer (Philippians 4, Psalm 106)
In times of difference and division, save us from rancor and meanness, O God. Help us focus ourselves on things that are excellent and worthy. Make us witnesses to your way of justice and righteousness. Transform us and transform the world, we pray. Amen.

Hymn  Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart  UMH 160
(vv. 1, 3, 5)
Vocalist: Gabriela Martinez; Pianist: Javier Gonzalez

Prayers of the People
Prayer Concerns (back of bulletin)
Pastoral Prayer
Prayer of Confession (Exodus 32, Matthew 22, Philippians 4)
God of mercy, in our impatience for answers, we sometimes turn to idols of our own making and forget our covenant with you. Passionate for what is right, we wrong those with whom we differ. Pleased at the invitation to your banquet, we fail to arrive with humility and thanksgiving. Forgive us when our faith is weak and our zeal too strong. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance (Philippians 4, Psalm 106)
Do not worry; the Lord is near. God hears our prayers with compassion and with abundant, steadfast love. Rejoice, for in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

The 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.

Special Music  Peace Prayer of St. Francis
(setting by John Michael Talbot)
Andy Walsh

The Offering with Prayer
Please continue to be faithful with your financial gifts by sending your stewardship contribution to the church office to the attention of the Financial Secretary, Ed Brewster.

New Testament Reading  Philippians 4:1-9

Hymn  Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling  UMH 348
Vocalist: Gabriela Martinez; Pianist: Javier Gonzalez

Sermon  “Stand Firm in the Lord!”  Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm

Hymn  Gather Us In  TFWS 2236
(vv. 1-4)
Vocalist: Gabriela Martinez; Pianist: Javier Gonzalez

Responsive Benediction (Philippians 4)
L:  Do what you have learned and received and seen and heard in Christ, and the peace of God will be with you.
P:  And may that peace, which passes all understanding, guard our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Postlude  Minuet in G Major  Bach
Marlene Dirksen