

**WELCOME TO MEMORIAL
UNITED CHURCH
23rd Sunday after Pentecost**

November 13, 2022

* please stand as able

Prelude

Welcome

Candle Lighting

Life & Work of the Community

* **Hymn** **Take My Life and Let It Be** **506VU**

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Confession and Absolution

* Affirmation of Faith

Minute for Mission

Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 65:17-25

Psalm 98 **818U**

Luke 21:5-19

Sermon: ***The Power We Have***

* **Hymn** **Open My Eyes** **371VU**

Prayers of the People

Offering

Anthem

Offertory Prayer

Blessing of the Animals

* **Hymn** **All Things Bright and Beautiful**

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings November 20, 2022

Jeremiah 23;1-6: Psalm 46; Luke 23:33-43

Upcoming dates

Nov. 13 - 10:30 - Worship with Blessing of Animals- Mark Tiller

Nov. 16 - 7:00 -Session meeting by Zoom

Nov. 20 - 10:30 - Worship - Stewardship Sunday - Debbie Aitken

Nov. 23 - 6:30 - In-person Official Board Meeting at Church

Nov. 27 - 10:30 - Advent 1 - Sacrament of Communion - Debbie Aitken'

Dec. 2nd and 3rd - Christmas Craft Fair and Cafe

Dec. 4 - 10:30 - Advent 2 - Debbie Aitken

Dec. 11 - 10:30 - White Gift and Children's Pageant - Debbie Aitken

***Thanks to The Rev. Canon Mark for conducting today's service.
The Rev. Debbie will be leading the service next week.***

Our offering plate is located near the sanctuary doors. Please place your contributions there, since we will not be taking an offering as we have in the past. It's one way to be mindful of the Covid restrictions.

Montague Food Bank Items need on a regular basis: canned meats and fish, soup, cereal, side and main dishes, pasta sauce, canned fruit and vegetables, crackers, condiments, unscented toiletries and pet food, feminine hygiene products, monetary donations to purchase fresh food.

PAR, or Pre-Authorized Remittance, is a direct debit program that allows people to support their church through an automatic monthly withdrawal from their bank account. Contact Maureen MacLeod if you are interested in contributing to our church through our PAR. Sure makes giving easier!

Choir will have its weekly meeting next Thursday, 1:30 p.m. at the church. All are welcome.

Giovanni di Pietro di Bernardone, better known as Saint Francis of Assisi (c. 1181 – 3 October 1226), was a mystic Italian Catholic friar, founder of the Franciscans, and one of the most venerated figures in Christianity. He was inspired to lead a life of poverty and itinerant preaching. Pope Gregory IX canonized him on 16 July 1228. He is usually depicted in a robe with a rope as belt.

In 1219, he went to Egypt in an attempt to convert the sultan al-Kamil and put an end to the conflict of the Fifth Crusade. In 1223, he arranged for the first Christmas live nativity scene. According to Christian tradition, in 1224 he received the stigmata during the apparition of a Seraphic angel in a religious ecstasy.

He founded the men's Order of Friars Minor, the women's Order of St. Clare, the Third Order of St. Francis and the Custody of the Holy Land. Once his community was authorized by the Pope, he withdrew increasingly from external affairs.

Francis is associated with patronage of animals and the environment. It became customary for churches to hold ceremonies blessing animals on his feast day of 4 October. He is known for devotion to the Eucharist (Holy Communion) Along with Catherine of Siena, he was designated patron saint of Italy.

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