

**WELCOME TO MEMORIAL
UNITED CHURCH
14th Sunday after Pentecost
August 7, 2022**

* please stand as able

Prelude

Welcome

Candle Lighting

Life & Work of the Community

* **Hymn** **O For 1000 Tongues To Sing** **326VU**

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

* Affirmation of Faith

Minute for Mission **Wendy Siebrands**

Scripture Readings:

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
Psalm 50 **775VU**
Luke 20:19-26

Sermon: **"Priorities"**

* **Hymn** **Jesus Shall Reign** **330VU**

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Offering

Anthem

Offertory Prayer

* **Hymn** **Lead On, O Cloud of Presence** **421VU**

Commissioning and Benediction

***Sending Forth** **Go Now In Peace**

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings August 14, 2022

Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Psalm 82; Luke 12:49-56

August 7th - 10:30 - Rev. Canon Mark Tiller

August 14 - 10:30 - Rev. Dr Larry Siebrands

August 14 - Congregational BBQ after 10:30 service. Bring
a chair, a salad or dessert.

Thanks to The Rev. Canon Mark for conducting today's service. The Rev. Dr. Larry Siebrands will be leading the service next week.

Don't forget!!! Sunday, August 14 [rain date is Aug. 21], we will be worshipping outdoors, weather permitting. Bring your chair [if you forget, we'll see that you will get one], your hat, a salad or dessert, and your appetite, since we will be grilling hot dogs after our service.

Got flowers? Put together a bouquet for the altar table. Our sanctuary is so much more festive with colourful flowers for our focus. They're a wonderful creation by a loving God!

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.

Don't forget the food bank! Several people contribute to it; however, we could probably all stand to be reminded that the food bank depends on us.

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!

A Prayer at the Time of Conflict in the Ukraine

War is terrible but you find us, Loving God.

You find us anxious as conflict rages in the country of Ukraine.
You find us angry at the senseless loss of life,
you find us distressed as civilians are caught up in a terrible war,
you find us grieving over the death of innocent bystanders.

War is terrible but you listen to us carefully, Loving God.

You listen as we ask the politicians, "Can't you work for a peaceful solution?"
You listen as we say to the aggressors, "Don't put children or hospitals at risk."
You listen as we give thanks for countries that welcome those displaced
with big hearts and open arms;
you listen as we fear for journalists who put themselves in danger
to report the truth.

War is terrible but you give us hope, Loving God.

Hope that leaders will patiently give peace a chance.
Hope that despite the heartache, the terror, and the loss,
places of sanctuary will be found and acts of kindness will take root and grow.
Hope that feelings of revenge for broken livelihoods and broken bodies
will be replaced by a willingness to restore community and to forgive.

We pray in the name of Jesus, crucified one. Amen

—David Sparks

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