



"A Community Of Many Faithing Communities Where All Belong!"

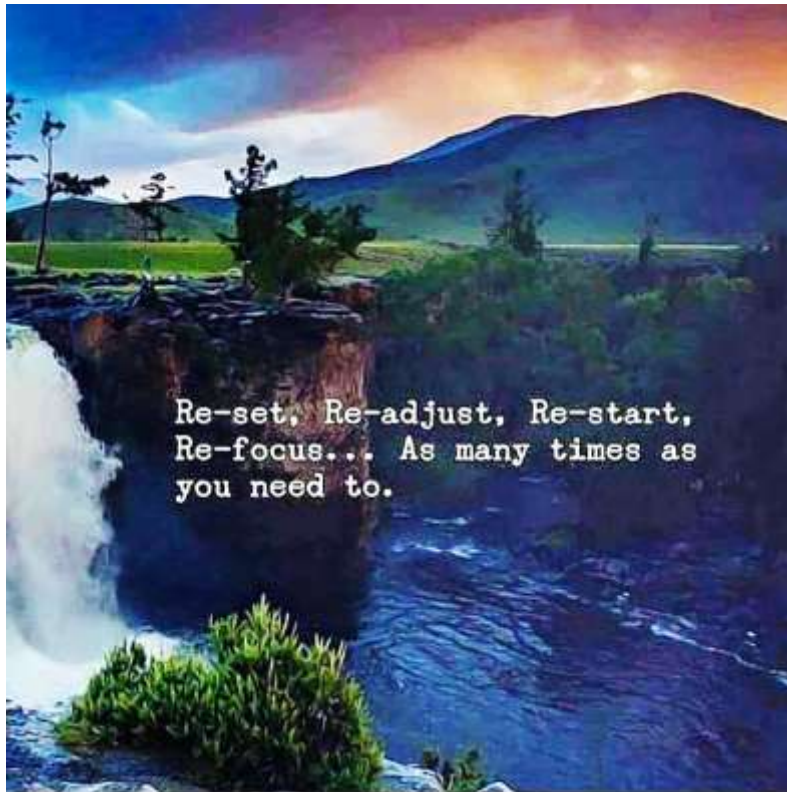
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Welcome To Worship

September 14, 2018

9:30 a.m.

Re-Opening to Divine Presence!



Welcome to this time of being with God and each other.



*On a spiritual quest? Reached a tipping point? Reach out to Tippe! You are important to us.
 In Christ, there are no strangers, only new and wonderful people to meet each day!
 If you are visiting today, please be sure to sign our Guest Book at the back of the sanctuary
 or fill out a pew card and drop it in the offering plate.
 Our pastor would be glad to call you or pay you a personal visit.
 Just let us know as you sign in...and take a Welcome Packet, too!
 Come back often. We care! We are open for faith! Affirming and open to all!*

Helpful Worship Information



We're Glad You've Come.

*This is a safe place, a sanctuary of worship and prayer,
 comfort and justice-seeking for all God's people and all
 are welcome here
 ...just as you are.*

Our church is a safe sanctuary for children.

We are proactive to protect our children with trained staff, enlightened volunteers, and aware congregants.

No concealed weapons of any type are allowed on Tippecanoe Church premises.

Our children are invited to remain in worship with us. The exception is Second and Fourth Sundays of the month during the program year when Heatherlee guides

"Children's Wisdom Circle" after Kids' Time.

We ask children be accompanied by an adult at all times throughout our morning together!

During worship, children are welcome to use a book, stuffed animal, or crayons and papers from the bottom shelf of the cart at the back of the sanctuary. We want the sanctuary to be home to them.

When your child (1st grade and under) is restless, when you are, when those around you are...

you're/we're probably asking too much of everyone. Please let your child be in the nursery at times like this. Please return borrowed "goodies" to the cart after worship.

Infant through 1st Grade Care

is available all during worship down the stairs in the Cloud Room which is our "nursery."

In the order of worship, please note... the * indicates times to stand as you are able.

Today in Worship



*We open our hearts and minds to the texts,
 confronting the radical nature of God's wisdom.*



As we live the spiritual practicum with Jesus, today's Wisdom Teachings remind us that much has been given to us and much is expected...but exactly what does God expect? In James, we hear God expects us to hold ourselves and "our tongues" to a "wisdom" standard. In Mark, the disciples hear there is no short cut. You have to face your responsibilities and your blessings. And, there is joy and fullness of life each day....this is what we can expect. This is what God gives each of us so we can *Re-Set, Re-Adjust, Re-Start, Re-Focus as we Re-Open to Divine Presence.*



Thanks for being here today!

In deepest gratitude, we give God thanks for your presence with us in worship!



WARNING....

If you take the Bible literally you may be disappointed here. We hope not, but we think you should know that we don't take *all* of scripture literally... any more than Jesus did, *but we DO* take it all seriously.

As you enter, please use this time to greet friends, welcome newcomers, and join in the spirit of community.

As the music begins, gift yourself a few moments of quiet perhaps becoming present to your own life -- your desires and needs and joys. Perhaps using this photo and reflective question to center yourself.

God rejoices in your coming and meets you this morning in special ways that are meant just for you.

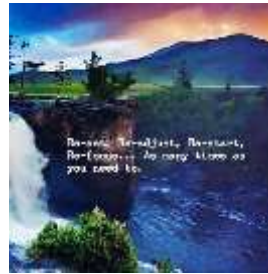
TODAY'S WORSHIP

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Why do we worship? Think on this...

Worship is a human activity, celebrated in the presentness of God...the Sacred, rather than praise required of us by God. And so the "goal" is to help us know (head in our heart) how we relate as individuals to ourselves, others, world, universe.

To celebrate that relationship! To touch sources of creative transformation! To reinterpret our experiences! To reaffirm living in this world which is indeed our sacred and worshipful work to do!



Re-Opening To Divine Presence!

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**WELCOME TO THIS CELEBRATION  
OF THE LORD'S DAY**

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- ✧ **Welcome and Community News**
- ✧ **Readying Ourselves for Worship**

**Surely God is in this place, Holy Ground!  
Surely God is in this place,  
Holy Ground!**

- ✧ **Prelude**

♦ *Lighting the Christ Candle*

♦ *Ringing the Bell...an ancient tradition to clarify the air enabling our prayers to rise more easily to our God.*

### **Gathering As God's People**

- ✧ **Becoming Present To God And Each Other**

**One:** To everything there is a season. A time to turn and a time to return.

**All:** And now is the time to turn toward "home" ....

One: ...to re-turn to that inner...home! ...to re-open to Divine Presence.

**All: It's time to re-set, re-start, re-adjust, re-focus...**

One: as many times we need! We gather to support each of us doing just that!

**All: We re-turn and discover shelter and warmth as we re-open to Divine Presence. We are gathered in a perpetual grace of re-do's, of new beginnings!**

*Please stand!*

\*✧Gathering Hymn #401 Hymnal

**“Gather Us In”**

✧Opening Ourselves To God's Grace

✧Sharing Our Inner Most Lives With God

Re-set. Re-start. Re-adjust. Re-focus. Re-open to Divine Presence.

Yeah...but...it's hard to re-set when every time I turn around, it seems even more is being expected of me. Seems every time I say yes to one thing, I'm asked to do yet another. Every time I do what I'm asked, I'm told there was a better way to do it. Re-start. Don't others realize what damage their criticizing words are doing to me? Is this my cross? Can't bear it!

And what do *I* do? I often turn around and criticize them back. Nothing changes and everyone feels bad. Re-focus. Is this our cross? Can't bear it!

Holiness, help me. Help me from giving others so much power over how I see myself that I succumb to their “poison”. Please help me see Your image in everyone....so I can stop re-acting to what they say! Please, give me the courage and a way through so I re-assess tough situations and re-sist and re-open to possibility in the moment.

I trust You to show me what to do and say next! I am listening for Your voice. I long to re-open to your presence.

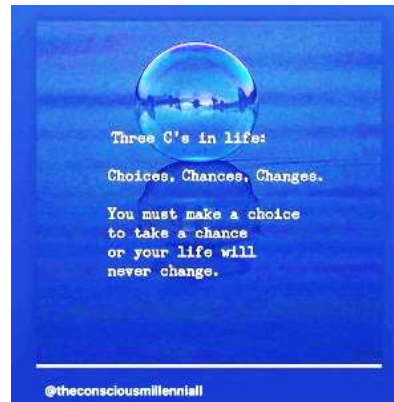
✧A Moment With God For Each Of Us...

*You may wish to name with God your struggle with "unrealistic" expectations you are facing; or you may share unkind words spoken that have hurt your heart, or kind words that have healed a hurt; or you may simply invite Jesus to come sit beside you in the pew this morning shining his healing light all around and through you.*

*Based upon today's wisdom teachings.*

*Please read to yourself to live into the power of these words as they come alongside your life.*

*Read these words! These may be the best words of all....just for you this morning!*



Let there be some quiet. We will be “stilled” together  
for 5 minutes or so! You have time....go deeper....

*From Worship and Praise, # 27, “Cares Chorus.” Please listen and then sing once.*

✧ **Kyrie**

**I cast all my cares upon You;  
I lay all of my burdens down at Your feet.  
And anytime that I don't know what to do,  
I will cast all my cares upon You.**

*Our Sung Response*

✧ **Receiving God's Grace....*God With Us Always***  
✧ **Rejoicing In God's Divine Care**

**Glory be to the Father, & the Son, & the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. As it was in the beginning, is now  
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. A-men.  
Amen. A-men. Amen. A-men. A-men!**

*You are invited to light a prayer candle now and anytime in worship you hear a prayer lifted or answered.*

✧ **\*Passing of the Peace...*Temenos!***

*Temenos is an ancient Greek concept of creating a safe space for others in which healing can take place in the midst of what is.*

**Held WithIn the Word**

✧ **And the Children Will Lead The Way: Kids' Time**  
*~Blessing of the Backpacks and Our New School Year~*

*Please remain seated.*

✧ **Hymn of Prayerful Preparation #469 Hymnal**

**“Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying”**

✧ **Bible's Wisdom Teachings and Reflection**

**Mark 8: 27-38  
James 3: 1-13**

One: This is the way our story is told.  
God speaks to us anew through ancient stories.

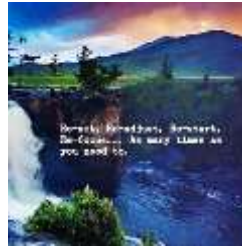
**All: Thanks be to our God.**

### ✧ Prompting

*Re-Opening To Divine Presence :*

*“Take Up Your ‘Re-pond-s-able-ities’  
...and Wisely Follow Me!”*

Pastor Karen Hagen



### ✧ A Moment Of Personal Reflection...

*Please use space for your personal reflections!*

## Opening to God's Grace

### ✧ Affirming Our Faith With Intention

*We are striving to be...*

**Relevant and Responsive, Open and Affirming,  
Engaged and Engaging.  
Informal and Radically Traditional  
in the Ways of Jesus. Welcoming All.  
Honoring The Sacred Masculine and The Sacred  
Feminine, Embracing The Mystic Within,  
We Are Of One Spirit....  
not necessarily of one mind.  
Mission bound, Educationally engaged,  
Children and Teens show us “the way”.  
Elders honored. Visitors Expected.  
Full of gratitude and seeking grace!**

Please call Patti at 630-674-1272 if you would like the Tippe Prayer Chain to lift a special prayer for you this week.

All prayers are confidential and shared with Pastor Karen.

*Members & Friends*

*Tippe Ministry  
Spiritual Leaders:*

*Elder*

*Deacon*

*Staff*

*Community*

*Outreach Partners*

*Divine Intervention*

*& Arts and Science*

*Literacy Camps*

*Faith Communities*

*Partnering in Ministry*

*Current Issues Calling Us*

*To Prayer*

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## ✧ Naming Our Gratitudes, Joys, and Concerns

### Throughout This Week Let Us Pray For...

...continued abundance and celebration of possibility as God grows Tippe's ministry.

...the continuing flow of guests who grace us with their presence.

... these members, spiritual leaders, staff and communities:

♦ John & Judy Mundy and Ashley Murphy

♦ Property

♦ Maynard Bell

♦ Nancy Hartmann

♦ Pastor Karen

♦ Common Ground and MICAH

♦ Holding Guests, Hosts, and Staff into the light of our prayer!

♦ Holding Teachers, Artists, Children and their Families in the light of our prayer!

♦ Christ Church UCC

♦ Employment

♦ Immigration Reform

♦ Torture Awareness

♦ God's Creation: Environmental Concerns

## ✧ Quieting Ourselves For Prayer

### ✧ Sung Call To Prayer

**O God we call, O God we call,  
from deep inside we yearn, from deep inside we yearn,  
from deep inside we yearn...for...You.**



## ✧ Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

## Giving Thanks To God

### ✧Offering Ourselves

**In Thankfulness  
With Energized Commitment!**

### ✧Offertory and Sung Response

**Hymn #710 "We Are An Offering" Hymnal**

**"We lift our voices, we lift our hands,  
We lift our lives up to You!  
We are an offering, we are an offering."**

## Sending Forth With Blessing

### ✧\*Departing Hymn #382 Hymnal

**"Heaven Is Singing For Joy"**

### ✧\*Benediction

***...Our Affirmation and Invitation  
to Become a Living Blessing***



### ✧\*Our Response

**Holy One, now we your servants go in peace.  
Your word lives on in us.**

### ✧Postlude

*Let's learn a new song for  
our hearts are singing a  
new song this season!*

As you leave, you are invited to linger longer enjoying sanctuary time. The kneeler is also available for a time of quiet prayer. Please take a copy of a previous prompting from the Cart in the back for your own or another's enrichment!

*Richard Bruxvoort Colligan,  
adapted, with permission*



# Tippeca-News September 16, 2018

*So glad you have come.*

*Join us for Tippe Café right after  
Worship here in the Sanctuary!*

*All Are Welcome!*

*TODAY and THIS WEEK at Tippe*

**Parlor Class Sundays begin October 21<sup>st</sup>!-  
“The Challenge of Jesus”**

**CHILDREN’S WISDOM CIRCLE** second  
and fourth Sundays of each month after Kid’s  
Time in worship!

**YOUTH CIRCLE (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders)** first  
Monday of the month, 6:30-7:45pm with  
Heatherlee.

**Monday Nights 6:30pm:**  
**Sanctuary Time of Belonging meets**  
**tomorrow night!**

Come for this worshipful time of self-reflection and  
theological thinking as we informally gather around  
table in the sanctuary, closing each gathering in  
prayer and communion.

**Shared Wisdom Circle** meets on Wednesdays  
at 10:30am in the parlor as we reflect on our  
individual and corporate lives through the lens of  
the wisdom teachings...*lectio style!*

**AA Meeting** is on Wednesday at 7pm in Study  
Lounge.

*TODAY and THIS WEEK at Living Waters*

**Center yourself...Sunday Centering meets**  
**2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 6pm.** Join us for a time of  
quieting, opening us to the Holy within.

**One Blessing** meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> **Tuesday** evenings  
in the sanctuary at 6:30pm.

**Thursday Centering** meets 2:30pm in the parlor.

## UPCOMING ATTRACTION

### **Family Fall Fun and Fellowship!**



Join us at 5pm Sunday October 7<sup>th</sup> for a Hot Dog  
Roast and S’mores as we gather round the camp fire  
for storytelling and more! Please bring a side dish  
to share!

**Lunch Bunch** meets at 11:45am on first Tuesday  
of each month at Applebee’s on Holt Avenue.

**Zensational Yoga** for children at 1pm on Sunday,  
October 21 in the sanctuary. All children welcome!

### **Brave Places Letter Writing/Calling Meet-up**

**Where: Right Here At Tippe!**  
**Returns in October**

### **Sung Meditation ~ Threshold Singing**



First Friday Nights monthly, 6:30-8pm.

## **INTERFAITH PICNIC**

Enjoy a fall picnic with local Milwaukee faith-based  
communities for an afternoon of food, friendship,  
and fun at Humboldt  
Park Picnic Area #4.  
Lunch is served at  
12:30pm. Bring a  
dessert or side to pass!



## Opening Ourselves to God's Grace

Sometimes the everyday problems of our lives seem to smolder endlessly until they erupt...disrupting the good of life as well as the bad. We are set on fire but often in frustration or anger or self-incrimination. But we don't have to be burned by our lives.

Christ invites us to be wise about that...to be on-fire with the power of new life. We can re-do our lives. Now is our time to talk with God about what hasn't worked well in life and our longing for that re-do as we re-open to possibility.

Each with our own beloved story, shaped anew by our Holy Story, **let us in our common voice**, lift our prayers out loud to our God as we use the reflection on Page 4 to guide us.



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### **Tippe-Ministers**

*All are ministers every day in every way in the world.*

#### **Today in Leadership**

Pastor..... Karen Hagen  
Wondrous Musician..... MaryBeth Garrett  
Dir. C, Y, F Ministry..... Heatherlee Muehlius  
Ministry Support Associate..... Crystal Stinemates  
Facility Host..... Margaret Majewski & Jay Paske  
Worship Leader..... Jay Paske  
Worship Hosts..... Nancy and Larry Hartmann  
Nursery Care..... Natalia and Community  
*Living Waters Staff*  
Pastor Karen, Diane, Jane, Tami & Donna

#### **Next Sunday in Leadership**

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Facility Host..... Margaret Majewski & Jay Paske  
Worship Leader..... Jay Paske  
Worship Hosts..... Eloise and Maynard Bell  
Nursery Care..... Natalia and Community  
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**Email Pastor Karen directly at [pastor.tippechurch@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.tippechurch@gmail.com)**

**If you have questions regarding our missions and how you can help, please email: [sustainingtippe@gmail.com](mailto:sustainingtippe@gmail.com).**

**To assist with sharing our supper (SOS meals), please contact email: [sosmealsdi@gmail.com](mailto:sosmealsdi@gmail.com).**

**To assist with Larry Under The Bridge, please contact email: [lutbtippedi@gmail.com](mailto:lutbtippedi@gmail.com)**

**If you have donations for Project Home, please contact email: [projecthomedl@gmail.com](mailto:projecthomedl@gmail.com).**

**For more information about Arts and Science Literacy Camps, please contact email: [aslcforkids@gmail.com](mailto:aslcforkids@gmail.com).**

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