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# Welcome To Worship

November 11, 2018

9:30 a.m.

*The Road Home*



*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 months 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. Please return borrowed "goodies" to the cart after worship.

**When your child (1<sup>st</sup> 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.

**Infant through 1<sup>st</sup> 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.*



We've all heard it said...life is not a destination at which we strive to arrive, but a journey. But the direction we travel determines what we will discover...about ourselves! Can we keep walking...seeking the true "home"?

Through today's Wisdom Teachings, we reflect upon how our giving of ourselves has the potential to change our lives! ...to be the way...home!

**Thanks to our dear friend Don Mendenhall for permission to use his breath-taking photography to enhance our worship this day!**



*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.***

*Based upon today's theme and music's lyrics.*

## **TODAY'S WORSHIP**

Thirty-second 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!*



*The Road Home*

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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:** Holiness, we come longing for home. We seek that road home. And deeply we know...You are our home. Oh tell us, where is the road we can each call our own?

**All: After wind, after rain...when the dark is done, we awake to Your voice calling from afar...You call and we rise up. You call us away. You lead us home.**

One: With a song of love in our hearts, we come to know...we are one...know where we belong. Indeed, You lead us home.

**\*✧ Video Presentation: The Road Home**

*You are invited to sing along!*

**✧ Opening Ourselves To God's Grace**

**✧ Sharing Our Inner Most Lives With God**

Lord, I mean well....but I fear I am more like the people in today's scripture who give in simple ways, than I am like the widow who gave all she had. How did she do that? Where did she get the courage?

(Pause...where do *you* find courage? Continue when ready....)

Wasn't she afraid she wouldn't be able to eat, pay the rent, sign up the kids for sports, buy school supplies, give goodies to her grandkids, pay off her MasterCard bill? After all, she must have been on a fixed income, too.

(Pause...how are *your* finances affecting *your* thinking? Continue....)

Not only "how" did she do it, why did she do it? And Ruth, too. How...*why* did Ruth make the choices she made, too?

Lord, like Ruth and the widow, help me see life in passionate ways which build trust in the future You have for me...against all odds....not upon financial facts or cultural expectations.

*Help me to see none of this is really about money at all.*

Grow in me the devotion of Ruth....grow in me the generosity of the widow....the faithfulness which will set me free from the burdens of this world.

May my life be a living offering!  
Lord, help me find the road home...to You!

*(Release a sigh...)*

*Based upon today's wisdom teaching Mark 12:38-44...the widow who gives her two coins.*

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

*From "The Road Home"  
Michael Dennis Browne  
and Stephen Paulus.*

*Our Sung Response*

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

## ✧ A Moment With God For Each Of Us...

You may wish to name with God some of the financial pressures you are facing; or you may share an area of life in which you feel free enough to be generous; 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.



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

## ✧ Kyrie

After wind, after rain, when the dark is...done,  
As I wake from a dream in the gold of day,  
Through the air there's a calling from far away.  
There's a voice I can hear that will lead me...home.

## ✧ 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!**

## ✧ \*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**

✧ **Special Music...Hymn of Prayerful Preparation**

*Several will offer a prayerful song or we will join in Hymnal, #834,  
Verse 1, "Precious Lord, Take My Hand".*

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

**Ruth 1:12-18; 2:1-4a, 7; 3:1-5; 4:13-17**

**Mark 12:38-44**

One: This is the way our story is told.

God speaks to us anew through ancient stories.

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

✧ **Prompting**

*The Road Home:*

*"Fearlessly Giving and Living!"*

Pastor Karen Hagen



✧ **A Moment Of Personal Reflection...**

*Please use space for your personal reflections!*

*Please remain seated.*

*My prayer as I listen:*

Now,  
O Lord,  
Calm me into a quietness  
that heals  
and listens...  
and molds my longings  
and passions  
my wounds  
and wonderings  
into a more holy  
and human shape.

Adapted from Marianne  
Williamson's "Our  
Deepest Fear"

## Opening to God's Grace

### ✧ Affirming Our Faith With Intention

Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate.  
Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure.  
It is our light not our darkness that most frightens us.

We ask ourselves who am I to be brilliant,  
gorgeous, talented, fabulous?

Actually, who am I not to be?  
I am a child of God.

My playing small doesn't serve the world.  
There's nothing enlightened about shrinking so other people  
won't feel insecure around me.

We were born to make manifest the glory of God  
that is within us.  
It's not just in some of us;  
it's in everyone!

And as each of us let our light shine,  
we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same.  
As we are liberated from our own fear,  
Our presence automatically liberates others.

And...then we will all be on...*that road home.*

### ✧ 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:

- ♦ Jerry & Chris Watkins
- ♦ Harry & Diane Wirhanowicz
- ♦ Facility Hosts
  
- ♦ Judy Berdan
- ♦ Nancy Hartmann
- ♦ Eloise Bell

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*

- ♦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!
  
- ♦Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish
- ♦Employment      ♦Immigration Reform
- ♦Torture Awareness ♦God's Creation: Environmental Concerns

### ✧ **Quieting Ourselves For Prayer**



*Words and Music by Linnea  
Good. Used with  
permission.*

### ✧ **Sung Call To Prayer**

**In this moment, in this place, all is mystery, all is grace.  
In this moment, in this place, we are one.**

### ✧ **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."**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

## Sending Forth With Blessing

### ✧\*Departing Hymn

**Hold on to me as we go / As we roll down this unfamiliar road  
Although this wave is stringing us along  
Just know you're not alone  
I'm gonna make this place your home**

**Settle down, it'll all be clear  
Don't pay no mind to the demons / They fill you with fear  
Trouble—it might drag you down  
If you get lost, you can always be found  
Just know you're not alone  
I'm gonna make this place your home**

**Oo---- Oo--- Oo--. Ahh----, Ahh-----Ahh----**

**Settle down, it'll all be clear  
Don't pay no mind to the demons / They fill you with fear  
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Ahh----- Ahh----- Ahh-----**

### ✧\*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

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 November 11, 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:**  
**"The Challenge of Jesus"**

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

**Youth Circle for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Graders**  
**first Wednesdays** 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 Wednesdays at 7:00pm 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

**Congregational Meeting on November 25<sup>th</sup>:**  
Plan to stay after worship for a few minutes that  
Sunday for a special congregational meeting to vote  
on the pastor's compensation package.

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

**Zensational Yoga** for children...in November  
joins us for our Gong Wash November 18, 1:00pm  
in the sanctuary. All children welcome!



**Divine Intervention New Host Training!**  
**December 2 4:00-6:30pm.**

Supporting Your Deep Care of All God's People!  
Providing you the opportunity to minister to those  
homeless as you deepen your holy connection to  
all that is "just and right"...

**Science Saturdays Return!**  
**Open to K-4 through 5<sup>th</sup> graders!**  
**Next gathering December 1<sup>st</sup>. Forms**  
**available at back of sanctuary or on line**  
**at [tippechurch.org](http://tippechurch.org)!**

**Sung Meditation - Threshold Singing**  
First Friday Nights monthly, 6:30-8pm.



**Gong Wash Healing Meditation for...**  
**Children, Families...and Everyone!**  
**Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> 1:00-2:30pm**  
**\$15 in advance (plus small handling fee) \$20 at the**  
**door. Children attend free with "paying" adult!**  
*(No limit on number of children per adult just let us  
know!) Online advance purchase at  
[brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com) (Oceans of Devotion Sound  
Healing Meditation) Or follow this link:  
<https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3624615>*

## Opening Ourselves to God's Grace

We've all heard it said...life is not a destination at which we strive to arrive, but a journey.

Can we keep walking? Keep going down the road? Find...home?

Like the disciples, we are on a journey, seeking that road that will take us home to oneness with our God. The disciples put their real questions to Jesus willing to risk looking foolish in asking them! Jesus never turned their questions away and never gave up on them. Jesus is willing to meet us where ever we are on our life's journey....guiding us to the road home.

Each with our own beloved story, shaped anew by our Holy Story, we lift our prayers silently to our God using 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..... Diane Wirhanowicz  
Worship Hosts..... Jerry Watkins and Jay Paske  
Nursery Care ..... Natalia and Community  
*Living Waters Staff*  
Pastor Karen, Diane, Jane, Tami & Donna

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**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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