Welcome To Worship

**August 25, 2019**
9:30 a.m.

*Summer Rerun of March 17, 2019*

_The Way Goes Before Us...Let Us Begin Again!_

~Taking the Path of Risk and Revelation~

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_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. “Children’s Wisdom Circle” is on break until September when the program year begins again.

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 (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.

Infant through 1st Grade Care can be available all during worship down the stairs in the Cloud Room which is our “nursery.”

** See note at end of worship bulletin regarding summer 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.

The Way Goes Before Us...
Let Us Begin Again!

We continue the journey beyond Bethlehem turning toward our Jerusalems. But we do not go alone. Jesus is out in front showing us the Way. We go together!

Today’s Wisdom Teachings reveal the option each of us has to despair and give up, even Jesus. But there is another option: to trust God and live courageously. God promises us “more”. How do we live into the promise? How did Jesus? We can stay on “the way” as much is revealed that helps us manage the risk we meet daily on our way to our full humanity.

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

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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**
First Sunday of Lent

**Preparing To Worship...**

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.

![Image]

The Way Is Before Us...Let Us Begin Again!
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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

✧Bringing Forward the Bible
✧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:

On the road...the Path...Of Risk And Revelation:

There’s no way to make sense of a world that wouldn’t let you pass... except to call an end to the way you had come; to empty your bags; to sort this and to leave that; to promise what you needed to promise all along, and to abandon the shoes that brought you here, not because you had given up but because now, you would find a different way to tread, and because, through it all, part of you would still walk on, no matter how. The Way goes before us!

All: Holy One, we humbly walk with You! In Your love and truth we worship. We shall find our way through risk and revelation...together!

♦ Gathering Hymn #436 Hymnal

“God of Compassion, In Mercy Befriend Us”

♦ Opening Ourselves To God’s Grace

♦ Sharing Our Inner Most Lives With God

Loving One full of Grace, You care enough about me to come to me powerfully in a living Jesus.

Grace-Giving One, You make wonderful promises of all my life can be for me. Yet I often don’t believe in Your promises...or in myself for that matter! ...and so I put my trust in all the wrong people and places. I even break promises I make to myself! Help me believe there is “more” for me on my path than I can see right now.

Loving God, in today’s lesson Jesus longs to gather all people together as a mother hen gathers her brood under her wings! Yet I often am not willing to receive the shelter and protection Jesus offers. I find myself thinking I know best or can go it alone on my way. How risky! Please reveal a new me...to me!

Help me accept Your help and the help of those You send to help me. Help me accept myself.

With Your gentle grace, encourage me to simply live in Your Ways. Let me begin...again. Lord, I ask it. Amen.

(Release a sigh...)

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A silent prayer for each of us based upon today’s Wisdom Teachings.
Read these words! These may be the best words of all….just for you this morning!

✧ A Moment With God For Each Of Us…
✧ You may wish to name with God how you have broken your own promises to yourself; or you may share how you feel you are begin gathered and protected; 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

O tender God have mercy, for You are for us.
O living God have mercy, for You will heal us.
O tender God, have mercy, for You are for us, for You are for us.

✧ 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. A-men. A-men!

✧ Receiving God’s Grace…God With Us Always

By permission, Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

Please sing once.

Our Sung Response

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

 Hymn of Prayerful Preparation  #183  Hymnal

   “Come To Me O Weary Traveler”
   Verses 1 and 4

 Bible’s Wisdom Teachings and Reflection

   Psalm 27

The Gospel of Mary 3:1-9

Peter said to Him, “Since you have explained everything to us, tell us one other thing. What is the sin of the world?” The Savior said, “There is no sin, but it is you who make sin when you do the things that are like the nature of adultery, which is called ‘sin’. That is why the Good came into your midst, coming to the good which belongs to every nature, in order to restore it to its root.” Then He continued. He said, “This is why you become sick and die for you love what deceives you. One who understands, let him understand!”

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 Way Is Before Us...Let Us Begin Again:

   “Risk And Revelation: Living Courageously!”

   Pastor Karen Hagen, revisited by Betty Salamun

    A Moment Of Personal Reflection…
As my reflection after Your prompting Lord, I feel You inviting me to...

◇Reflection

Music Video: The Point of Arrival by Carrie Newcomer

◇Un-Lighting of The Lenten Candles

Opening to God’s Grace

◇Affirming Our Faith With Intention

I’m not going to rush anything. I’m not going to stress out or worry about how things will work out for me. Instead of overthinking, I will align my faith with Divine times and trust that everything that belongs in my life is making its way towards me right...now.
A Community Celebrates! Honoring Our Lovely Ann!

Shared Moments of Love Remembered,
Life Renewed,
Tender Times of Joy!
Our Prayers....

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.

Naming Our Gratuities, 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:

- Jimmy Dill
- Dick & Gail Dricken
- Worship
- Christian Pavlock
- Barbara Wooldrage
- Larry Hartmann
- 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!
- Unity Lutheran Church
- Employment
- Immigration Reform
- Torture Awareness
- God’s Creation: Environmental Concerns
 découvertes Ourselves For Prayer

MaryBeth will play once
through, then prayerfully
let us sing twice: first
accompanied, second
time acapella.

Please use the traditional
version of the Lord’s Prayer
or you may wish to prayer
this translation offered by
Rev. Eugene Peterson.

✦ 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

Lord’s Prayer by Rev. Eugene Peterson:
“Father,
Reveal who you are. Set the world right.
Keep us alive with three square meals.
Keep us forgiven with you and forgiving others.
Keep us safe from ourselves and from Evil.”

✦ Giving Thanks To God

✦ Offering Ourselves

In Thankfulness
With Energized Commitment!

✦ Offertory and Sung Response

Hymnal #710 "We Are An Offering"
“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
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.

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** Sending Forth With Blessing **

◊*Departing Hymn    #765    Hymnal

“May The God Of Hope Go With Us”

◊*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

** Because of the summer schedules of our families, nursery care is not provided each Sunday. Rather, folks can arrange for care any given Sunday at Tippe by contacting Pastor Karen, or Natalia directly. Connect with Pastor Karen at pastor.tippechurch@gmail.com. We usually need a few days’ notice. BUT, do know our children are welcome to stay with us in worship no matter their age as we care to support them and embrace the notion that children are to be seen and heard! Regular weekly nursery care resumes in September. **
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

CHILDREN’S WISDOM CIRCLE will resume in September! Family Fun to come over summer!

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. 
We will NOT meet on Monday, September 2nd.

Shared Wisdom Circle meets at 10:30am on Wednesdays in the parlor as we reflect on our individual and corporate lives through the lens of the wisdom teachings...lectio style!
We will be on break Wed, July 24 through Sept 18.

TODAY and THIS WEEK at Living Waters

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

One Blessing meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings in the sanctuary at 6:30pm.

Thursday Centering meets 2:30pm in the parlor.

UPCOMING ATTRACTIONS

Lunch Bunch will meet on Tuesday, September 3rd at 11:45am at Applebee’s on Holt Avenue.

Mark your calendars now!
Tippe’s Fun and Faithful Outdoor Worship and Annual Potluck Picnic!
Sunday September 1st 9:30-Noon

Meditative Song Circle
First Friday Nights in October-June.
Opening Ourselves to God’s Grace

One: We have moved beyond Bethlehem. We, together, as individuals, journey toward our Jerusalems. It is a path of risk and revelation. It will be difficult, we can help each other. It will be joyful, we shape our way. The way is ours alone...we go in love.

Jesus goes before us. 
Divine Presence offers sustenance and support along the way.
We begin...again.

Each with our own beloved story shaped anew by the Holy Story, as we surrender pretenses and open to God, we lift our prayers silently to our God using the reflection on Page 5 to guide us.

Tippe-Ministers
All are ministers every day in every way in the world.

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To assist with Larry Under The Bridge, please contact email: lutbtippedi@gmail.com.
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