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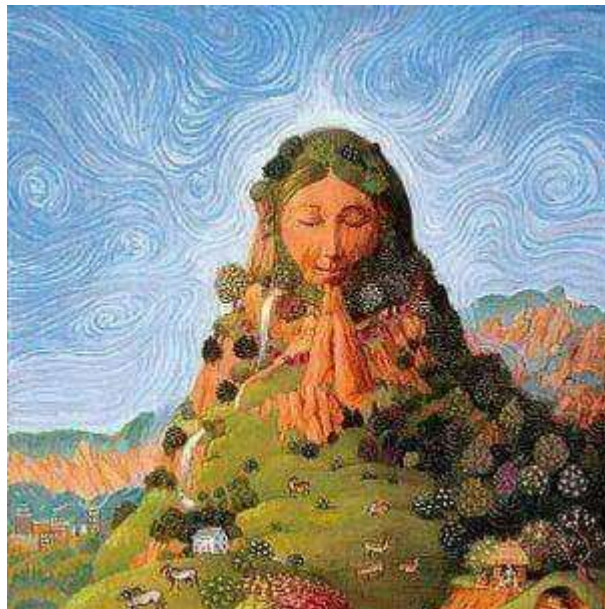
Welcome To Worship

February 9, 2020

Updated rerun of February 5, 2017

9:30 a.m.

"Continue...Come...Close-r!"



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.

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

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.*



"Continue...Come...Close-r!"

We are in the season after Epiphany and before Lent. Ordinary Time in the church calendar. Yet, it is an extraordinary time... a time when we begin to integrate all the new awarenesses of Advent and Christmas and Epiphany! We are changed by the events of the stories!

Today's Wisdom Teachings ...

What do "salt" and "light" have to do with wisdom, mystery, fulfillment of the word? How are we to trumpet and restore? Listen for insights from scripture as Isaiah and Jesus use these images to guide us in making meaning of our lives!

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

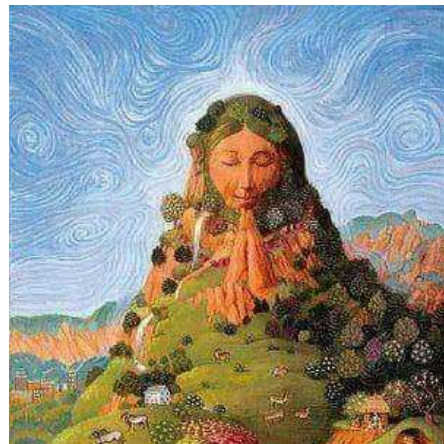
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Preparing To Worship...



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



*“Continue...Come...Close-r!”*

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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**
- ◆ **Ring 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: In Christmas, God comes to us. And we *Continue...to Come... Closer* to living from this inner-source of Universal Unconditional Love; offering compassionate care to ourselves and others. Christmas and Epiphany bring us round to that extraordinary Ordinary Time of the church year. The Ancient Story now alive in us in amazing new ways!

All: **But so often we live our lives so fast, we forget we're in a story...a new and never ending story! Our new story: Will we slow down so God can catch up to us and Wisdom enter in?**

One: But at least for this morning, we slow down. We give God a chance to enter the story line of our lives!

All: **God with us, in faith, we are released from the way things have been and live into the way things can be! Praise be to the Holy One!**

\*✧ **Gathering Hymn #22 Worship and Praise**

**“Bring Forth the Kingdom”**

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

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

In a world where many are lonely:  
I thank you for the light of friendship I know personally.  
Lord, I wouldn't normally talk about this, but...

In a world where many are held captive:  
I thank You for my freedom and seek to use it wisely.  
This feels petty, but...

In a world where many are hungry:  
I thank You for Your provision...body, mind, and spirit.  
I guess I should be over this, but...

I don't usually say this to You, but  
I'm not sure how to show sympathy to those who need it

*Thanks to Pat Bowne for  
the reflective questions at  
the end of each  
reflection.*

*Let these words serve as  
our confessed longing  
and affirmation of  
faithfulness*

*(continues on next page)*

*Let this invitation to personal sharing move you toward the Divine. Contemplate the mystery!*

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

*MaryBeth will play once, please sing twice.*

*Hymnal #399*

*Our Sung Response*

most, or access my deep compassion when so much that goes on seems over my head or beyond my control.

Give me a wise and salty heart shining brightly so I may be and act in ways that reflect the depth of Your care for me reflected in my care for self, others, & creation.

Lord I ask it!

Please continue to come close...I continue to come close to you! At least, this is my prayer.

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

✧ You may wish to name with God ways you feel light; or you may share with God where some saltiness is needed in your life; 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

**God welcomes all, strangers and friends;  
God's love is strong and it never ends.**

### ✧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.*

*Please substitute the word **God** for “He” and **Close** for “Down”.  
Please remain seated.*

*My prayer as I listen:*

Let me make of this  
day  
A prayer...  
an offering, a plea,  
Gratitude and praise.  
Every task as worthy  
and every rough place  
bearable.  
With enough  
quietness of heart  
To find my way on  
toward connection  
with all that is.  
A prayer, a poem,  
A sculpting, a  
moment  
Each day a life,  
My only life.

*Mary Anne Perrone,  
March 15, 2006*

## ✧\***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 #137 Hymnal**

**“God Came Close”**

## ✧**Bible’s Wisdom Teachings and Reflection**

**Matthew 5:13-20**

**Isaiah 58:1-12**

**One:** This is the way our story is told.

God speaks to us anew through ancient stories.

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

## ✧**Prompting**

*“Continue...Come...Close-r!”*

*“Upside-down Blessings!”*

Betty Salamun from a prompting by Pastor Karen Hagen

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

As my reflection after Your prompting Lord, I feel You inviting me to...



**Please take a moment to survey this invitation to Continue...We will read a section out loud together each week.**

## **Opening to God's Grace**

### **✧ Affirming Our Faith With Intention**

Because God is close and we are called to continue, my prayer for myself and others, affirming my God-centered worldview, is that you and I and each of us *continues...*

To be whom and how we are, to astonish a mean world with our acts of kindness; to allow humor to lighten the burden of our tender hearts...

*Continue*

In a society dark with cruelty to let the people hear the grandeur of God in the peals of our laughter; to let our eloquence elevate people to heights we had only imagined...

*Continue*

To remind the people that each is as good as the other and no one is beneath nor above you; to remember our own young years and look with favor upon the lost and the least and the lonely...

*Continue*

To put the mantel of our protection around the bodies of the young and defenseless; to take the hand of the despised and diseased and walk proudly with them in the high street that some might see and be encouraged to do likewise...

*Continue*

To plant a public kiss of concern on the cheek of the sick and the aged and infirm and count that as a natural action to be expected; to let gratitude be the pillow upon which we kneel to say our nightly prayer and let faith be the bridge we build to overcome evil and welcome good...

*Continue*

To ignore no vision which comes to enlarge your range and increase your spirit; to dare to love deeply and risk everything for the good thing...

*Continue*

To float happily in the sea of infinite Universal Love which set aside peace and joy for each of us before we even had a name and by doing so, entrusts our shared HOLY work *Continues* eternally!

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*

*MaryBeth will play once,  
please sing three times.  
Melody: Hymnal, #392*

*Our Lady's Prayer-  
translated directly from  
Aramaic into English.*

## ✧ 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:

- ♦Pat Bowne
- ♦Brad Brinkman
- ♦Finance and Personnel (FAP)
  
- ♦Becky Becker
- ♦Sheryl Schroeder
- ♦Joan Fleming
  
- ♦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!
  
- ♦St. Luke's Episcopal Church
- ♦Employment      ♦Immigration Reform
- ♦Torture Awareness   ♦God's Creation: Environmental Concerns

## ✧ Quieting Ourselves For Prayer



## ✧ Sung Call To Prayer

**Spirit, You are here; Spirit, You are here;  
Spirit, You are here; we are here with You.**

## ✧ Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

**O Cosmic birther of all radiance and vibration,  
soften the ground of our being and carve out a space  
within us where your pleasure can abide. Fill us with  
your creativity so that we may be empowered to bear the  
fruit of your mission. Endow us with the wisdom to  
produce and share what each being needs to grow and**



**flourish. Let each of our actions bear fruit in accordance with our desires. Untie the tangled threads of destiny that bind us as we release others from the entanglement of past mistakes. Do not let us be seduced by that which would divert from our true purpose, but illuminate the opportunities of the present moment. For you are the ground and the fruitful vision, the birth power and the fulfillment, as all is gathered and made whole once again.**

### **Giving Thanks To God**

#### **✧Offering Ourselves**

**In Thankfulness  
With Energized Commitment!**

#### **✧Offertory and Sung Response**

**Hymn #146    Worship and Praise    “We Are An Offering”**

#### **✧Prayer of Thanksgiving**

### **Sending Forth With Blessing**

**✧\*Departing Hymn        #549        Hymnal  
“May The Love Of The Lord”**

#### **✧\*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**

*Join us in fellowship!  
Tippe Café follows right here in the sanctuary.*

Listen once, please sing twice.

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 February 9, 2020

*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*

## **A New Parlor Class**

begins Sundays March 1, the first Sunday of Lent, after Tippe Café. In the meantime, anyone who would like to revisit the videos "The Challenge of Paul" or "The Challenge of Jesus" is welcome to do so! Join in the parlor with Pastor Karen after Tippe Café.

## ***Monday Nights 6:30pm: "Sanctuary Time of Belonging"***

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

*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 at 2:30pm in the parlor.

## **Living Waters Offering: Zen Sitting: Finding the Path**



### **Thursdays 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. on-going**

An introduction to the practice and teachings of Zen Buddhism. Led by Rev. Tonen O'Connor. We will begin with zazen, sitting quietly together in the peaceful embrace of silence. Then a brief talk on the Buddha's teachings and how they can help us find our path of serenity amidst the chaos of change. The evening will conclude with shared discussion, questions and fellowship.

*Everyone is welcome, no preparation is necessary, just an inquiring mind.*

## ***UPCOMING ATTRACTIONS***

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

**Living Water's Class:**  
**Global Ethic for the Local Soul.** Wednesdays 6:30-8pm in the sanctuary beginning March 4th-April 1<sup>st</sup>. Led by Pastor Nicole Melara, spiritual guidance by Pastor Karen. This course will provide us with an opportunity to consider our personal ethics as we operate in a global world and work to develop our local souls.

## ***Meditative Song Circle***



First Friday Nights monthly October - June

## Opening Ourselves to God's Grace

In this extraordinary, ordinary time of the church year, we can let the power of our Holy Master Story continually open us to make new meaning of our lives. We can tell a new story, live a new story. Held by the Holy Story...our story continues!

It is safe for us to share our real joys and needs with our God who sees us as precious and loves us each by name. So, each with our own beloved story, let us 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**

Teaching Elder ..... Betty Salamun  
Director of Music Ministry ..... MaryBeth Garrett  
Ministry Support Associate..... Crystal Stinemates  
Facility Host..... Margaret Majewski & Jay Paske  
Worship Leader..... Sheryl Schroeder  
Worship Hosts..... Jerry Watkins and Jay Paske  
Nursery Care ..... Natalia and Community  
*Living Waters Staff*  
Pastor Karen, Diane, Jane, Tami & Donna

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

Pastor..... Karen Hagen  
Director of Music Ministry ..... MaryBeth Garrett  
Ministry Support Associate..... Crystal Stinemates  
Facility Host ..... Margaret Majewski & Jay Paske  
Worship Leader ..... Nancy Hartmann  
Worship Hosts ..... Nancy and Larry Hartmann  
Nursery Care ..... Natalia and Community  
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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: [projecthomed@gmail.com](mailto:projecthomed@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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