

October 22, 2023
21st Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

Opening Music Nancy Plote, Organist

Welcome & Announcements Pastor Jeremiah

Prelude Music
Lighting of the Altar Candles Acolyte(s)

Call to Worship / Opening Prayer Jacque Fucilla, Liturgist

ALL: Loving, living, God, be among us now. Show us your ways. Guide our steps. Live in us, that we may be people of steadfast hope and powerful giving. Help us hear your words, challenging us to give you all the things that are yours. Help us remember that all we are and all we have are gifts from you, gifts to be shared in service and love. Holy One among us, help us be a holy people who receive your word with joy and live your message with love. Amen.

Written by Mary Scifres

*Opening Hymn **"I've Got Peace Like a River"** TFWS#2145

Prayer of Confession Liturgist

Liturgist: Let us now come before God together to confess the ways we have missed the mark, seeking forgiveness and reconciliation with God and one another.

All: Merciful God, we confess that we have not given you the things that are yours. We quibble over technicalities and argue over questions that do not lead us to love you, ourselves, or our neighbors well. We ignore your goodness that is all around us, and we do not allow ourselves to be filled with the Spirit who empowers us to live as people who glorify you. We do not recognize your holy touch in the world around us, and we neglect our responsibility to treat all things and all people as sacred. Forgive us, we pray, and free us to live in love and peace with you, with ourselves, with our neighbors, and with all creation. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock,

Silent Prayers of Confession

Words of Assurance

***Doxology**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here
below: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise
Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts. Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia!**

Children’s Time

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

***Hymn of Preparation**

“His Eye Is on the Sparrow”

TFWS#2146

Scripture Reading

Matthew 22:15-22

Liturgist

Message

Finding that which Holds

Pastor Jeremiah

***Closing Hymn**

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

TFWS#2158

Benediction & Blessing

Parting Hymn

“God Be with You till We Meet Again”

**God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels, guide, uphold you,
with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.
Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus’ feet;
till we meet till we meet God be with you till we meet again.**

As the Light of Christ is Carried Out

Acolyte

***Go in Peace & Love to Serve God and Neighbor**

CHURCH CALENDAR – October 2023

Vicke’s Hours M-W-Th 8-Noon

Sunday, October 22

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Coffee Time 10:30 a.m. – Hope Willrett & Gene Hickey

Liturgist: Jacque Fucilla Greeter: Marcia Hueber

Kid’s Sunday School after Worship at 4:00 p.M.

Wednesday, October 25 Prayer & Fellowship 6:30 p.m.
Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.
Friday, October 27 All Fall Supper Tickets need to be turned into Jacque & Jodi
Sunday, October 29 22nd Sunday after Pentecost /
Coffee Time 10:30 a.m. – Jacque Fucilla
Liturgist: Dave Gommel Greeters: Denny & Vicke Heins

When in church, remember to sign the **green Attendance Book** and pass it around.

If you have an offering, please place it in the wooden church box on the table in the narthex. Thank you.



FALL SUPPER: Saturday, November 4th

DRIVE THRU ONLY

4:30 P.M. TO 6:30 P.M. – SEE JACQUE & JODI FOR TICKETS
AND IF YOU CAN HELP (include Family & Friends), LET THEM KNOW.

Deadline for tickets 10/27/23

ANNUAL CHURCH CONFERENCE – WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH

7:00 P.M. at GRACE UMC in Maple Park (Joint Conference)

EVERYONE WELCOME

SPRC: 6:30 P.M.

Reports due by **11/13** to Vicke.

On the table in the Narthex are copies of the School Supply list for Malta Elementary School kids, copies of the Midwest Mission “Top Needs” Supply list, September/October Upper Rooms, and October Newsletter.

“CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND” If you wish to contribute to the Capital Improvement Fund, please mark your check accordingly and send your donations to Nancy Plote, 411 S. Malta Rd, Malta, IL 60150

HELP MIDWEST MISSION DISTRIBUTION CENTER / URGENT NEEDS!

Liquid Laundry Detergent 32-64 oz. - Colored Pencil - 12 Pack - Liquid Household Cleaner 16-40 Oz. - Scissors - Student Size - Liquid Dish Soap 14-32 Oz. - Bleached Lumber to make desks - Blankets – Can be gently used - Rulers 12” long with metric - Toothpaste – 2.5 oz. or larger.

The Midwest Mission Distribution Center will also accept any MMDC Kits, treadle sewing machines, gently used tools, new or slightly used medical supplies and equipment.

They will also accept a financial contribution. Send checks to Midwest Mission Distribution Center at 1001 Mission Drive, Pawnee, IL 62558. Check out their web page: umcnic.org/2022MissionChallenge

SALVATION ARMY FOOD PANTRY / SPECIAL NEED: TOILET PAPER You are welcome to bring Non-Perishable food anytime throughout the year for the Salvation Army Food Pantry. Place it in the box in the narthex marked "FOOD PANTRY". The Salvation Army appreciates all you give.

HELPING OUR KIDS at Malta Elementary School / Special needs: Children's Underwear and Socks

The school supplies needed are: boxes of crayons with 24 colors, glue sticks, boxes of #2 pencils, boxes of Kleenex, 3 ring binders, plastic school folders, black dry erase markers, scissors (for younger and older children), and boxes of regular colored markers (I believe they come in boxes of 8 colors). Also, a donation of a new stocking hat, pair of gloves, or mittens would be wonderful (hand- made mittens and hats are also okay), as long as they are new.



1	BRIAN FUCILLA
3	NORMA HOPKINS GERALD MCARTOR
5	RODNEY HUEBER
7	MARY LOU HUEBER
10	ELISA JO PIQUETT
11	MARCIA HUEBER
14	TIM CARTER
16	JACOB MCARTOR
17	PAUL BUTLER
22	BRAD GARRETT
25	STEVE SANDBERG

Sunday, November 5th is ALL SAINTS SUNDAY.

Jodi will have a table set up for pictures of your family members who have passed & you would like remembered. Please have the pictures to Vicky by Wednesday, November 1st. During the service we will be lifting of the names of people you want remembered. There will be a bulletin insert listing all Saints, past & present. It will be duplicated from last year, but if there is someone new you want added, please fill out the form below.

“ALL SAINTS SUNDAY” **SUNDAY, November 5th**

Please leave your list on the table in the narthex no later than next Sunday, October 29th. Thank you.

Names of “loved ones” I would like remembered on this day!

YOUR NAME: _____

Bulletin insert will be duplicated from last year – list a new name here to be added. Remember to bring a picture to church on or before Wed. November 1st and take home on Sunday, November 5th after Worship.

