

Nekoosa United Church of Christ

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November 11th, 2018 Proper 26 Year B

Gathering in God's Presence

Thought for Today: "If we don't recognize everything as created in the image of God, then we start picking and choosing what is and what isn't. But you have no choice in the matter. Everything... —it's all created in the image of God" —Richard Rohr.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "A Time to shift from the secular to the Sacred"

Call to Worship (Please stand if comfortable doing so)

One: Open our hearts and our minds dear God.

All: We come hoping for unexpected appearances of God's love.

One: We come with our questions and doubts, and listen for Christ to appear in our midst saying: "Peace be with you."

All: We come together trying to follow the teachings of Jesus.

One: We look around at the lives of our neighbors and guests, and seek the power of the risen Christ at work here, offering peace, offering hope, offering courage, offering transformation.

All: We are witnesses to the tangible love of Jesus! Come, let us worship!

Gathering Song: #563 "We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky"

Prayer of Invocation

Mighty God, in whom we know the power of transformation, we seek your encouragement and your guidance in shaping our lives. We ask that you give us generous hearts, so we may love our neighbors, pray for our enemies, lift up the broken hearted, and bring Christ's light to the darkness of this world. Help us to be your healing hands in a hurting time, and hope to those who are discouraged and beaten down. Help us to love all of your beloved children. Amen. (Please be seated)

Choir Anthem: "Possessions"

Baptism: of Honora Elizabeth Steele

Passing of the Peace (Please pass the peace of Christ with those near you)

Peace Song: Peace be with you, peace be with you, peace be with you now, God's peace to you, Peace behind you, peace before you, peace be all around, in Jesus Christ
(Please be seated)

Proclaiming God's Word

Liturgist: Dorothy Resheske

Older Testament reading: Psalm 146

Newer Testament reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

Leader: This is the written word that points us to God **People: Thanks be to God**

Gloria Patri #759 (Please Stand if comfortable doing so)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

World without end, Amen. Amen.

Gospel Reading: Mark 12:38-44

Leader: This is the living and breathing word of God for us today and every day.

***People: Thanks be to God. Amen.** (Please be seated)

Message: "Rubbing 2 Pennies Together" **Pastor Tim**

Responding as God's People

Hymn: #565 "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" vs 1 & 4

Prayer

Invitation to prayer, prayers for families and friends, country and world, joys and celebrations, silent petitions, pastoral prayer, Our Lord's Prayer.

The Lords Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our

debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering Invitation:

Offering Offertory #780 Doxology (please stand)

Praise God From whom all blessings flow: Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above, you heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

Life-Giving God, may you bless our gifts and let them go forth from us to benefit all of your children with wisdom, compassion, and imagination. Amen.

Going With God's Love

Benediction

Church Jeopardy Skit

Join us downstairs for soup and refreshments and a chance to win prizes!

Veterans Day:

Let us remember the veterans and all their sacrifices they gave and their families gave.

Thank you!

Congratulations to the Steele family on the baptism of Honora Elizabeth!

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*"The Church
by the
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*"A safe and welcoming place for All God's children to gather
Together and ponder on the Divine Mystery"*

**Welcome all Guests! Please sign the guest pads in the pews
Open Communion is offered every 1st Sunday of the month.
Join us downstairs for coffee and fellowship**