"Leaving No One Behind"



Avon United Methodist Church 130 Genesee St, Avon, NY 14414 585-226-8600 www.avonnyumc.org Radio Ministry: Sundays, 7:30am, WYSL1040

> September 11, 2022 10:00 AM

ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 11, 2022 14th Sunday after Pentecost

*Please Stand in Body or Spirit

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD ...

Prelude "He Leadeth Me," arr. Larry Shackley

Greeting and Announcements

Joys & Concerns

(Live Streaming Begins)

Time of Centering "How Great Thou Art," arr. Larry Shackley

*Call to Worship

Leader: Our God is a loving God who rejoices whenever one of us who strays is brought back

into the fold.

People: Praise be to God!

Leader: Our God is a persistent God who never gives up searching for those who are lost.

People: Praise be to God!

All: Let us worship our loving and persistent God, and let us celebrate with God when those who are lost are found.

*Hymn: Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth #2050 (The Faith We Sing)

*Praying Together

In Unison: Gracious Father, we celebrate with you the return of even one lost person who has wandered into the thickets of sin and has now come back and is reconciled to you. Most of us at one time or another have been in the same position, and we give you thanks that through your Son, Jesus Christ, we have come to know your forgiveness. May every act of worship be for us a celebration of your mercy and love. Amen.

The Lord's 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD...

Special Music "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" (The Prayer of St. Francis)

Scripture Reading: Luke 15:1-10~NIV

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. ² But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." ³ Then Jesus told them this parable: ⁴ "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? ⁵ And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders ⁶ and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.'⁷ I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent. ^s "Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Doesn't she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.' ¹⁰ In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Conversation with Children

Sermon: Leaving No One Behind

*Hymn: Amazing Grace #378

WE RESPOND IN THANKS & GO FORTH TO SERVE.

Giving our Tithes and Offerings "Take the Name of Jesus with You," arr. Jan Alexander

*Doxology #95

*Hymn: As A Fire Is Meant for Burning #2237 (The Faith We Sing)

*Benediction

Postlude "Coronation," arr. Bethany Smith

Church News & Notes

Pastor Keith's Contact Information

Rev. Dr. Keith Griswold can be reached by phone at 585-615-2975 or by e-mail at: <u>KGriswold@Rochester.rr.com</u>

Food Pantry Needs

Cereal, coffee, tea, and bottled juice, as well as personal items, such as Toilet paper, paper towels, tooth paste, toothbrushes, shampoo, dish soap (not dish washer soap) and laundry soap are needed by the Food Pantry. Please provide if you are able.

The Messenger

If you have a poem, recipe, favorite scripture, topic of inspiration, history highlights, events and announcements, calls to action, etc. that you would like to share in our monthly newsletter please contact Mark Brennan for more information. We would like to hear from you! As always, the deadline is the 15th of the preceding month.

The Upper Room

The Sept./ Oct. issue of "The Upper Room" devotional is in. If you would like one, they can be found in the back of the sanctuary.

Membership Directory and Birthday/ Anniversary List

Contact Laurie Combs for either of these items.

AUMC Social Media

For upcoming events, please visit our website at <u>www.avonnyumc.org</u> Also, follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/AvonnyUMC, and on Twitter @UMCAVON

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For handicap accessibility to the second floor please let the greeter at the door know of this need.

Please feel free to contact the church with any questions or concerns at 226–8600.

If you are interested in purchasing Tops gift cards, an ongoing fund-raiser for our church, please see Sue Moses.

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Participants in Today's Worship

Pastors:	Rev. Dr. Keith Griswold
Office Manager/ Instrumentalist:	Mark Brennan
Music Director	Linda Rosebrough
Sound Engineer:	Mark Blakely
Custodian:	Bob Wright
Lay Leaders:	Marcia Cameron, Laurie Combs
Scripture Reader:	Sue Moses
Liturgist:	Bobby Luu
Church Council Chair:	Bobby Luu
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The flowers on the altar are given by Jackie Potter. Thank you to Heather Arnold for sharing her musical gifts with us this morning.