

MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
A SERVICE OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, September 12, 2021, 10:30 a.m.

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Rally Day

Welcome and Greeting

Prelude: "Quiet Hills" (Claudia Schmidt)

Opening Sentences

Hymn 542: "Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

Opening Prayer

A Moment With the Mayor: Andy Schor, Mayor, City of Lansing

Old Testament Reading: Proverbs 1:20-33

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice. At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: 'How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you. Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me. Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD, would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.'

Giving and Receiving of Our Gifts

Doxology

A Moment for Community Service: Sally Potter, Teacher, Waverly H.S.

Special Music: "I Am Willing" (Holly Near)

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Morning Meditation: "WISDOM, FEAR, AND FOLLY"

Hymn 406: "Prayer of St. Francis"

Benediction

Benediction Response 578 (v. 2): "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

With praise and thanksgiving to You ever living, the tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face, our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring, embracing Your children of each tribe and race. With Your feast You feed us; with Your light now lead us. Unite us as one in this life that we share. Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

Greet One Another

Participants: Pastor Mark and DeeAnn McCormick, Mayor Andy Schor, Sally Potter, Barb Fuller, Jerry Fuller

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

Jeffery W. Rowthorn, 1934-

Cyril V. Taylor, 1907-1991

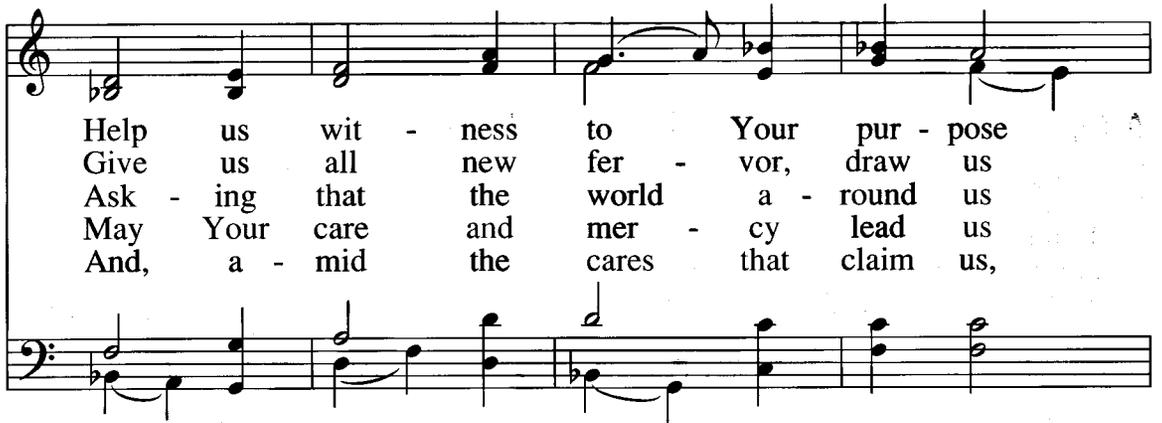
1. Lord, You give the great com - mis - sion:
 2. Lord, You call us to Your serv - ice:
 3. Lord, You make the com - mon ho - ly:
 4. Lord, You show us love's true meas - ure:
 5. Lord, You bless with words as - sur - ing:

"Heal the sick and preach the word."
 "In My name bap - tize and teach."
 "This My bod - y, this my blood."
 "Fa - ther, what they do, for - give."
 "I am with you to the end."

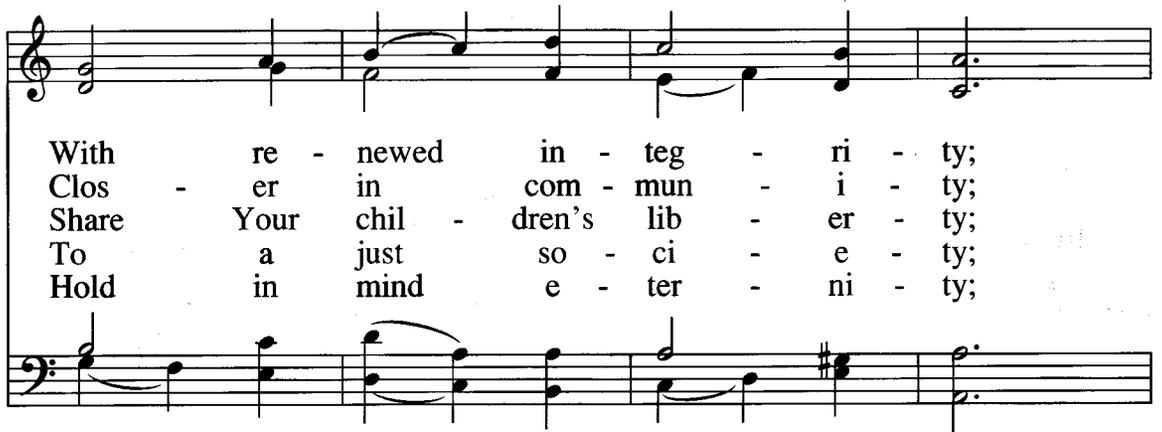
Lest the Church ne - glect its mis - sion,
 That the world may trust Your prom - ise,
 Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry,
 Yet we hoard as pri - vate treas - ure
 Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,

And the Gos - pel go un - heard,
 Life a - bun - dant meant for each,
 Dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward,
 All that You so free - ly give.
 May we serve as You in - tend,

GOD'S COVENANT PEOPLE



Help us wit - ness to Your pur - pose
Give us all new fer - vor, draw us
Ask - ing that the world a - round us
May Your care and mer - cy lead us
And, a - mid the cares that claim us,



With re - newed in - teg - ri - ty;
Clos - er in com - mun - i - ty;
Share Your chil - dren's lib - er - ty;
To a just so - ci - e - ty;
Hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty;



With the Spir - it's gifts em - pow'r us



For the work of min - is - try.

GOD'S COVENANT PEOPLE

406

Prayer of St. Francis

Adapt. from St. Francis by Sebastian Temple, 1928-1997

Sebastian Temple, 1928-1997
Arr. by Betty Carr Pulkingham, 1928-

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1. Make me a chan - nel of Your peace. Where
2. Make me a chan - nel of Your peace. Where
3. Make me a chan - nel of Your peace. It

Em A7

there is ha - tred, let me bring Your love. Where
there's de - spir in life, let me bring hope. Where
is in par - don - ing that we are par - doned, In

Em

there is in - ju - ry, Your par - don, Lord, And
there is dark - ness } } on - ly light, And
giv - ing to all men that we re - ceive, And in

Em A7

1., 3.
D Last time

where there's doubt, true faith in You.
where there's sad - ness ev - er
dy - ing that we're born to e - ter - nal life.

Last time

GOD'S COVENANT PEOPLE

2.
D G

joy. Oh, Mas-ter, grant that I may nev-er

D A7 D

seek so much to be con-soled as to con-sole,

G D

to be un-der-stood as to un-der-stand,

E7 A A7 D.C.

to be loved as to love with all my soul.