



October 4th, 2020

10:45am

Welcome and Greeting

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Prayer for 2020

Eternal God, pour your Holy Spirit upon Marion United Methodist Church, the Marion community, and its people. Help us to see where you are leading. Help us to share in your vision for our congregation and community. Help us to be part of the making of disciples. Lead us in being your hands and feet in our community. In the name of Jesus, the holy one of God, we pray. Amen.

Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

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Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. And will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Gloria Patri

*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.*

Pastoral Prayer

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.

Offertory

Scripture

Revelation 2:8-17

‘And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write: These are the words of the first and the last, who was dead and came to life: ‘I know your affliction and your poverty, even though you are rich. I know the slander on the part of those who say that they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Beware, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison so that you may be tested, and for ten days you will have affliction. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. Whoever conquers will not be harmed by the second death. ‘And to the angel of the church in Pergamum write: These are the words of him who has the sharp two-edged sword: ‘I know where you are living, where Satan’s throne is. Yet you are holding fast to my name, and you did not deny your faith in me even in the days of Antipas my witness, my faithful one, who was killed among you, where Satan lives. But I have a few things against you: you have some there who hold to the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak to put a stumbling-block before the people of Israel, so that they would eat food sacrificed to idols and practise fornication. So you also have some who hold to the teaching of the Nicolaitans. Repent then. If not, I will come to you soon and make war against them with the sword of my mouth. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. To everyone who conquers I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give a white stone, and on the white stone is written a new name that no one knows except the one who receives it.

Invitation to the Table

Pastor: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Confession and Pardon

ALL: *Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Pastor: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

ALL: *Glory to God. Amen*

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Pastor: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to God.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to our living God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: Blessed are you, God of all creation; Source of all mercies, fount of love beyond all measure...

...and with the whole company of heaven, we join the glad song of unceasing praise:

People: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might; heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Pastor: Holy are you, and be your name, gracious God,...

...we come in praise and thanksgiving with these gifts of your love, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pastor: Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us gathered here in Christ’s name...

...Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor, glory, and blessing is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

Hymn*Great Is My Faithfulness*

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Benediction**Prayer Concerns:**

Cheryl Allen; Claire Bacon; Vince Callahan; Harold Carpenter; Scott Carpenter; Marty Catt; Patsy Catt; Terri Catt; Teddy Ferguson; Mason Fowler; Leigh Garrett; Debbie Hale; The Helton Family; Pat Jacobs; Leonard Kramer; Wayne Marconi; Roy Miller; Jeff Page; Peppi Pirani; James Sample; Lance Scarborough; Mart Thaxton; Martha Ann Weaver; Billie Williams; Jane Williamson; Tim Williamson; All Hospital Personnel, First Responders, Nursing Home Residents & Staff; Teachers, staff, faculty, and students; COVID19 pandemic