



WHITNEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Boise, Idaho

18th Sunday after Pentecost

October 1, 2023

* invites you to stand as you are able

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Prelude Music

Juli Draney

Gathering Song

"I Will Follow"

Six Ways to Sunday

Welcome

Rev. Daryl Blanksma

Choral Introit & Candle Lighting

"Seek Ye First"

*Call to Worship

Lory Nesor, liturgist

One: God calls us to a feast!

Many: The table is set, and we will come from east and west, from north and south to sit at Christ's table.

One: Compassion, love, and grace are poured out like fine wine.

Many: We come to share our stories and God's story, to share our hope and our pain, to share our wisdom and our laughter.

One: The table is set, so come let us worship God together!

*Opening Hymn

"As We Gather at Your Table"

FWS #2268

Opening Prayer (unison)

God of hope and peace, you are with us in all our days and in all our ways. As you walked with the Israelites in the desert, when they had given up hope, you came to them with nourishment and your steadfast love. As Jesus walked through Jerusalem, healing the sick and those afflicted, your love was made abundantly clear

through acts of love and mercy. Be with us this day as we gather to hear your word. Inspire and encourage us in all that we do, that we may serve you faithfully, bringing hope and your message of love to your thirsting world. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Anthem

"Take My Life, and Let It Be"

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading – Exodus 17:1-7

Liturgist

Scripture Reading – Matthew 21:23-32

Liturgist

Sermon

"Asking the Wrong Question"

Rev. Daryl Blanksma

*Hymn

"By Our Love"

Six Ways to Sunday

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayers of the People / Lord's Prayer

Announcements

Invitation to Offering/Offertory

*Doxology/Offering Prayer

UMH #94

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

FWS #2257

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion

Life-giving God, this special communion reminds us of being members of a global community. We have feasted at your table. As you have nourished us, may we go into your world to bring a feast of peace and hope to others,

**listening with loving ears and acting with loving hearts,
in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

*Closing Song “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”
Six Ways to Sunday FWS #2153

*Benediction

Postlude Juli Draney

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 1

“Three Simple Rules” Study

Today; 6:30 pm

Daryl’s study of John Wesley’s “Three Simple Rules” continues today at 6:30 pm. It’s not too late to join the class.

United Women in Faith

Wednesday at Noon

United Women in Faith will meet this Wednesday at noon at the church. They will share a potluck lunch followed by a short business meeting and a program presented by Vicki Lehrman. All women of the church are invited to attend.

CROP Hunger Walk

October 15: 3:00 pm

See Lorrie Baer for more information.

Joseph’s Closet

Opens October 20

Joseph’s Closet will be opening for the 2023-2024 season on October 20. Donations of winter coats, scarves, hats, gloves, blankets and sleeping bags are welcome. They can be brought to the church Monday - Thursday from 10-12. We also welcome monetary donations to help with the cost of renting the trailer and utilities.

ALL Are Welcome Here!

We, the Whitney United Methodist Church, declare that all persons are welcome to attend, join, and participate fully in the life of our congregation regardless of age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic condition, marital status, and mental or physical ability.

Upcoming Events

October 1: "Three Simple Rules" Study; 6:30 pm
October 4: United Women in Faith; noon
October 8: Church Council; 11:30 am
October 8: "Three Simple Rules" Study; 6:30 pm
October 15: CROP Hunger Walk
October 17: Celia Cowan Circle; noon
October 20: Community Dinner; 5:30 pm
October 20: Joseph's Closet Opens
October 29: Pumpkin Carving Party; 2:00 pm

A link to our full Calendar of Events can be viewed on our webpage at www.whitneyumc.org.

Assisting in Worship Today:

Liturgist: Lory Nesor
Sound: Bert Allen
Online Feed: Rich Keefe
Head Usher: Bill Slupe
Pastor: Rev. Daryl Blanksma

Pianist: Juli Draney
Band Director: Kevin Daniel
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