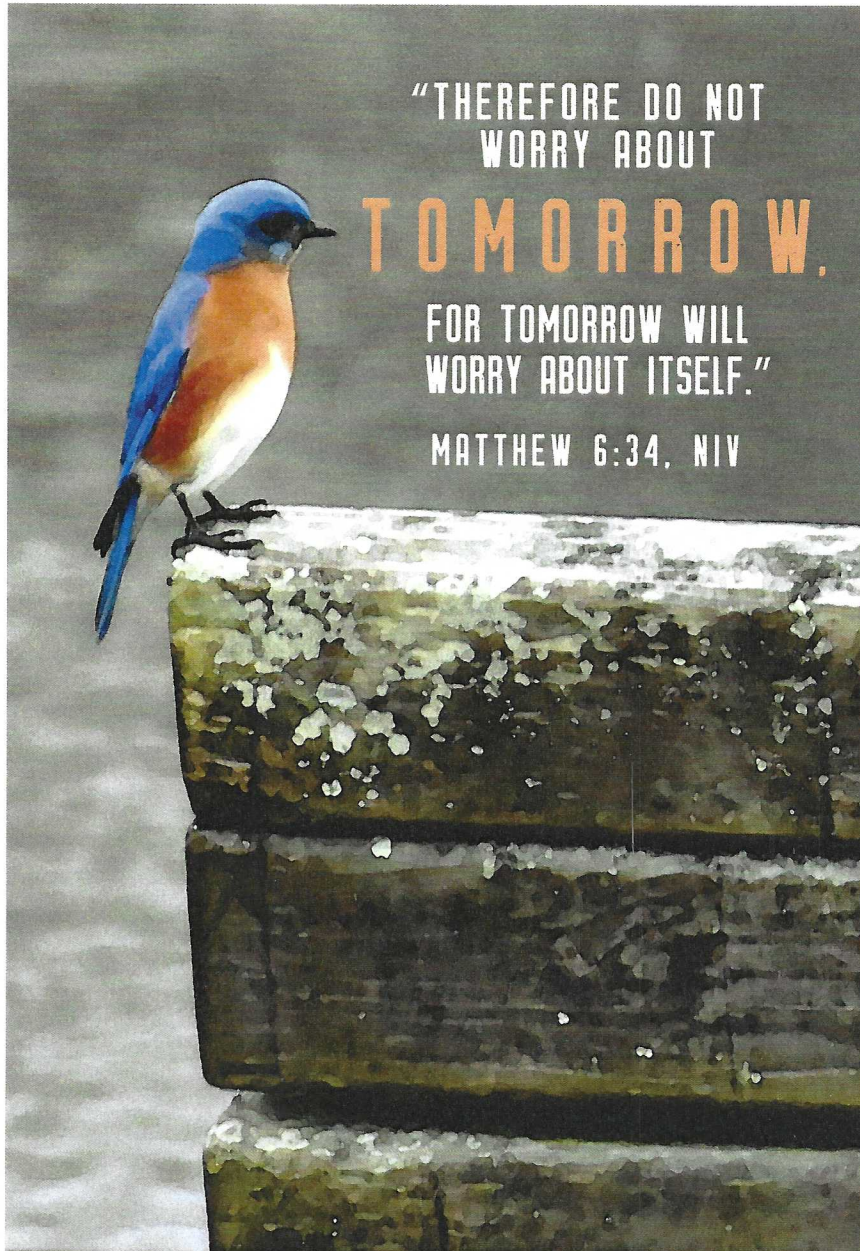


East Parish United Methodist Church

Established 1834

East Parish is a Church open to all, which nurtures and enables people to experience God's transforming love and serve others in Jesus' name.



September 19, 2021
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*The Book of Remembrance is opened to the Glory of
God, in loving memory of Eva L. Jones.*

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 1)

L: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked.

P: Their delight is in the law of the LORD,

L: On God's law they meditate day and night.

P: They are like trees planted by streams of water,

L: Which yield their fruit in its season,

P: In all that they do, they prosper.

* **OPENING HYMN** **"What Does the Lord Require"** **#441**

OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

God of tender care, like a mother you never forget your children, but comfort and quiet those who are restless and fearful; like a father you know already what we need. In all our anxiety, give us the spirit of trust; in all our worry, give us faithful hearts; that in confidence and calm we may seek your kin-dom where your holy will of peace and justice has been made known. Amen.

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

Micah 6:8

Romans 8:1-9a

Matthew 6:5-6, 19-21, 25-34

SERMON

Jesus' Divine Nature

Rev. Nancy Wichmann

* **HYMN** **"Seek Ye First"** **#405**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You are invited to share your prayers of thanksgiving or petition. You may also send them to Pastor Wichmann at nan_wich@bellsouth.net; indicate whether or not they should be shared.

THE PRAYER THAT JESUS TAUGHT

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom, and the power and the glory now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God, we worry. We know you are with us; we know you tell us not to be afraid; we know you promise to take care of us. But we feel like we have to be in control, to make all the decisions that affect our lives. Help us to know your will and when we are going astray.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

L. Please greet your neighbors with the blessing: "The peace of Christ be with you."

P. And also with you.

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Chiacona in F"

Johann Pachelbel

* DOXOLOGY

No. 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

For the blessings of this and all our days, we thank you, gracious God. Accept, we pray, not just this money but also our lives freely offered in gratitude for all you have done for us. Use them both, in this place and wherever you might take us. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you wish to become a member of our church family, or to be baptized, contact Pastor Wichmann at nan_wich@bellsouth.net

FLOWERS – If you would like to make a contribution of or for altar flowers, please see a member of the Worship Committee: Debbie Choate, Alana Gilbert, Karlene Johnson, Jan Juntunen, or Sandy Roughton.

* HYMN

"When the Poor Ones"

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* BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE *"This is the Feast of Victory"*

#631

vs. 3 – Antiphon

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

"Tocatta"

Johann Pachelbel

**Indicates that we rise in body or in spirit.*

Micah 6:8

God has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does YHWH require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?
(NRSV, adapted)

Romans 8:1-9a

1 There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. 3 For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending the Only Begotten in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, thereby condemning sin in the flesh, 4 so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. 5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. 6 To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. 7 For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, 8 and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. 9 But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. (NRSV, adapted)

Matthew 6:5-6, 19-21, 25-34

5 “And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. 6 But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your God who is in secret; and God who sees in secret will reward you.

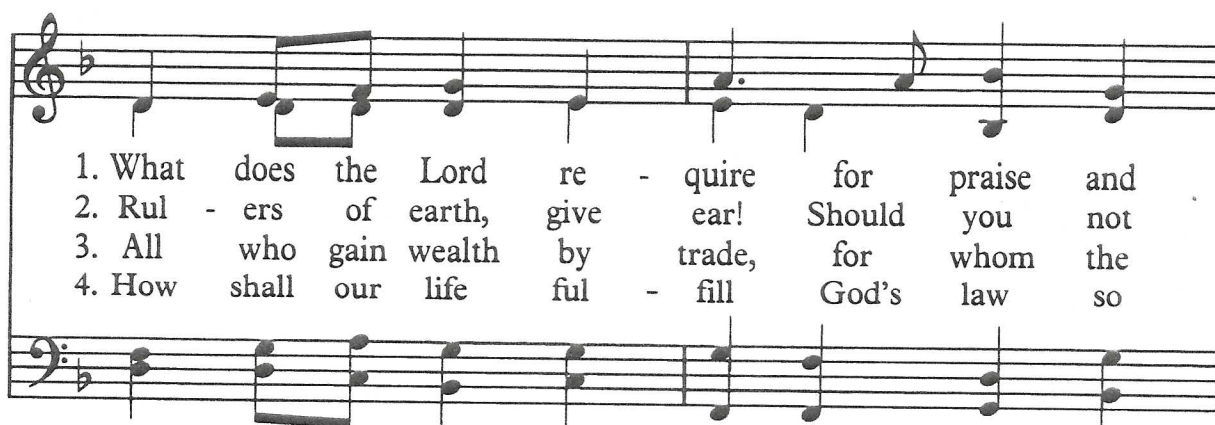
19 “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; 20 but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

25 “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? 26 Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet our God in heaven feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? 27 And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? 28 And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, 29 yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. 30 But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? 31 Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ 32 For it is the faithless who strive for all these things; and indeed God knows that you need all these things. 33 But strive first for the kingdom of God and righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

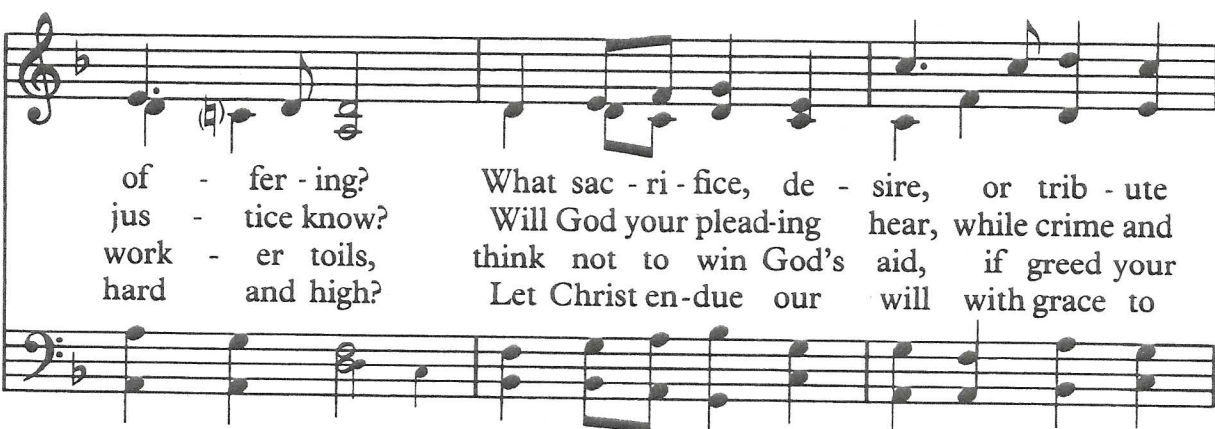
34 “So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

(NRSV, adapted)

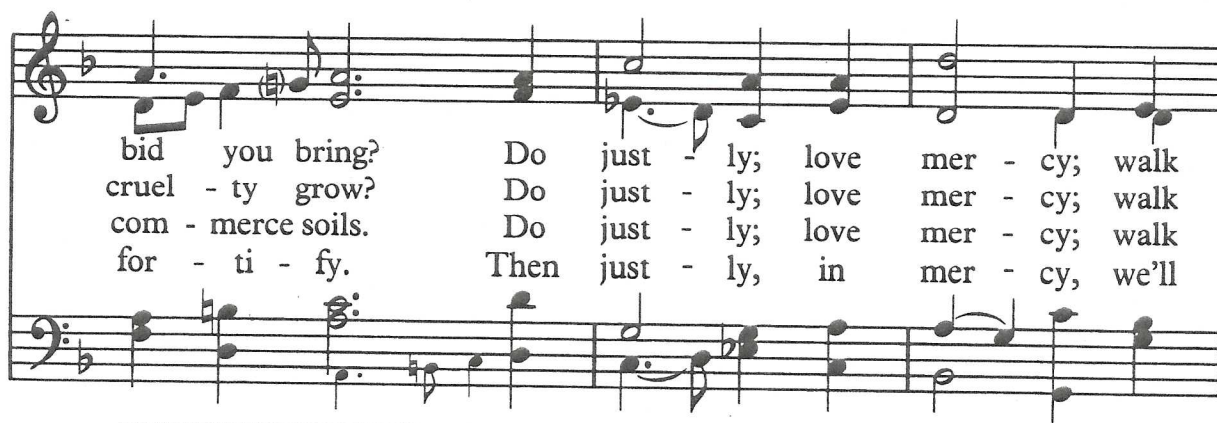
441 What Does the Lord Require



1. What does the Lord re - quire for praise and
 2. Rul - ers of earth, give ear! Should you not
 3. All who gain wealth by trade, for whom the
 4. How shall our life ful - fill God's law so



of - fer - ing? What sac - ri - fice, de - sire, or trib - ute
 jus - tice know? Will God your plead - ing hear, while crime and
 work - er toils, think not to win God's aid, if greed your
 hard and high? Let Christ en - due our will with grace to



bid you bring? Do just - ly; love mer - cy; walk
 cruel - ty grow? Do just - ly; love mer - cy; walk
 com - merce soils. Do just - ly; love mer - cy; walk
 for - ti - fy. Then just - ly, in mer - cy, we'll



1-3 hum - bly with your God.
 hum - bly with your God.
 hum - bly with your God.
 4 hum - bly walk with God.

Seek Ye First

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D F#m G D G
Al - le - lu - ia, Al -

1. Seek ye first the king - dom of God and his
2. Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you; seek and

D Em7 A7 D F#m
le - lu - ia, Al - le -

righ-teous - ness, and all these things shall be
ye shall find; knock, and the door shall be

G D G D A7sus A7 D
lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

add-ed un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
o-pened un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

WORDS: Karen Lafferty, 1972 (Mt. 6:33; 7:7)
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SEEK YE
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Prayer List

Church of Christ
Ministries of East Parish United
Methodist Church
For the slain everywhere
Family and friends of Ashley Fowler
(Craig's brother)
Family and friends of Deb McAdams
Friends and Family of Vicki Hall
Family and friends of Tina Connery
Family and Friends of Marine Sgt.
Johanny Rosario
Karlene Johnson
Steve Johnson
Steve Smith
Joni McPhee
Ken Eaton
Julie Allred
Corey Amlin (BIL of Martha Murray)

Victims of natural disasters
Victims of sexual abuse and assault
Division in The United Methodist
Church
For those whose voices are so often
ignored
Deplorable treatment of refugees
and asylum-seekers on the southern
border of the US
All who have suffered with, because
of, or died from COVID-19
All who have suffered with, because
of, or died from addiction
For our country, desperately in need
of unity and humanity
For those who perished and for those
who continue to be affected by the
events of 9/11

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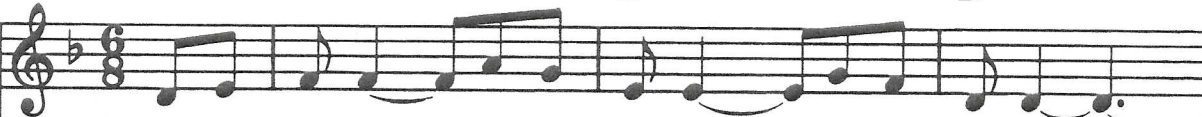
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Cuando El Pobre

(When the Poor Ones)

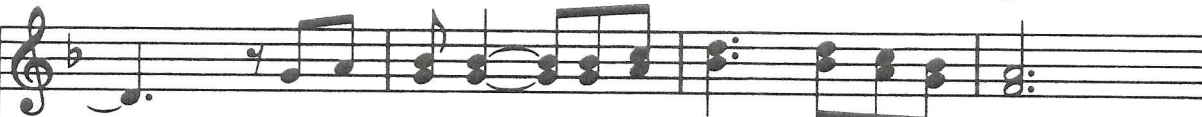
Unísono (Unison)

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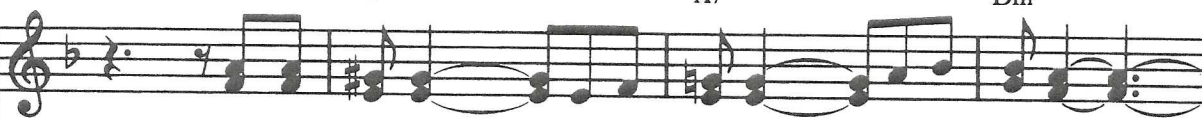
1. Cuan-do el po-bre na-da tie-ne y aun re-par-te,
 2. Cuan-do su-fre un hom-bre y lo-gra su con-sue-lo,
 1. When the poor ones who have noth-ing share with strang-ers,
 2. When at last all those who suf-fer find their com-fort,

D7 Gm C7 F



cuan-do el hom-bre pa-sa sed y a-gua nos da,
 cuan-do es-pe-ra y no se can-sa de es-pe-rar,
 when the thirst-y wa-ter give un-to us all,
 when they hope though e-ven hope seems hope-less-ness,

F E7 A7 Dm



cuan-do el dé-bil a su her-ma-no for-ta-le-ce,
 cuan-do a-ma-mos, aun-que el o-dio nos ro-de-e,
 when the crip-pled in their weak-ness strength-en oth-ers,
 when we love though hate at times seems all a-round us,

Estribillo (Refrain)

B \flat A7 Dm

va Dios mis-mo en nues-tro mis - mo ca - mi - nar,
then we know that God still goes that road with us,

D7 Gm A7 Dm Gm Dm

va Dios mis-mo en nues-tro mis - mo ca - mi - nar.
then we know that God still goes that road with us.

3. Cuando crece la alegría y nos inunda,
cuando dicen nuestros labios la verdad,
cuando amamos el sentir de los sencillos,
Estribillo

4. Cuando abunda el bien y llena los hogares,
cuando un hombre donde hay guerra pone paz,
cuando "hermano" le llamamos al extraño,
Estribillo

3. When our joy fills up our cup to overflowing,
when our lips can speak no words other than true,
when we know that love for simple things is better,
Refrain

4. When our homes are filled with goodness in abundance,
when we learn how to make peace instead of war,
when each stranger that we meet is called a neighbor,
Refrain