STITTSVILLE UNITED CHURCH Growing - Together - In Spirit Our 175th Anniversary October 18, 2020

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WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Music to Prepare for Worship:

Invitation to Worship:

Hymn: "Dance With The Spirit" More Voices #156 (Reproduced with permission under license #16965, LicenSing Online.)

- 1 Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin', walk with the Spirit throughout the long day. Work and hope for a new life abornin', listen to the Spirit to show you the way.
- 2 Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin', move with the Spirit throughout the long day. Work and hope for a new life abornin', listen to the Spirit to show you the way.
- 3 Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin', sing with the Spirit throughout the long day. Work and hope for a new life abornin', listen to the Spirit to show you the way.

Welcome and The Life and Ministry of Our Church

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD FOR US

Scripture: Psalm 27 and Philippians 4:1 & 4-7

Musical Offering: "My Life Flows On" (#716) by Doll Creelman.

Sermon: "Whatever! - Between Grumbling and Thanksgiving." By Barbara (Doll) Creelman D.L.M.

Hymn: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You" #<u>232</u>
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- 1 Joyful, joyful we adore you, God of glory, life and love; hearts unfold like flowers before you, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away; giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.
- 2 All your works with joy surround you, earth and heaven reflect your rays, stars and angels sing around you, centre of unbroken praise.
 Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, sound their praise eternally.
- 3 You are giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
 Source of grace and fount of blessing, let your light upon us shine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.
- 4 Mortals join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began; God's own love is reigning o'er us, joining people hand in hand. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife; joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & for Healing and Transformation

The Lord's Prayer:

Invitation to Offer our Gifts:

Song of Dedication: (vs. 3) #218

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With voices united our praises we offer and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise. Our sins now confessing, we pray for your blessing, to you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise! Amen.

Prayer of Dedication:

WE GO FORTH IN SERVICE

Hymn: "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" #664
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- 1 What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.
- 2 Have we trials and temptations?
 Is there trouble anywhere?
 We should never be discouraged;
 take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Can we find a friend so faithful,
 who will all our sorrows share?
 Jesus knows our every weakness;
 take it to the Lord in prayer.

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3 Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Christ the Saviour is our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do our friends despise, forsake us?
Are we tempted to despair?
Jesus' strength will shield our weakness, and we'll find new courage there.

Commissioning and Benediction

Departing Song: (#579 (VU) Verse 2)
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The church is wherever God's people are helping,
caring for neighbours in sickness and need.
The church is wherever God's people are sharing
the words of the Bible in gift and in deed.

Music To Inspire Us As We Go: