

****SENDING FORTH** (in unison)

Let us go with Jesus, the light who guides us on our way. May our hope be that the Sun of Justice will rise one morning on all humankind. May the God of Peace, our constant companion, lead us along paths of solidarity and hope, and give us the joy of being united in God's love. Amen.

****APOSTOLIC BENEDICTION**

****BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

"BIND US TOGETHER"

TFWS NO. 2226

POSTLUDE

"SYMPHONY IN B FLAT"

by Nicolas Le Begue (1630-1702)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| Monday October 7th | 10:30 am | Care and Nurture Committee |
| Tuesday, October 8th | 6 :00 pm | Trustees meeting |
| Wednesday October 9th | 7:30 am/5:30 pm | Prayer Group |
| | 3:30 pm | Church School |
| | 3:30 pm | Confirmation Class |
| | 6:00 pm | Choir practice |
| Thursday October 10th | 6:00 pm | Finance Committee |
| | 7:00 pm | Administrative Council meeting |
| Saturday October 12th | 9:00 am | Flood Gates Group |
| Sunday October 13th | 10:30 am | Worship Service |
| | 6:00 pm | Study Group at Kathy Hanson's |

Viroqua UMC offers 2 Adult Bible Study classes from 9:00-10:00 a.m. every Sunday

Prayer List: Dylan, Arlen, Monica, Kathy, Anabel

| | <u>Today</u> | <u>Next Week</u> |
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| USHERS | Alice Sloane/Betty Ross | Dale/Jolene Gudgeon |
| GREETER | Janet Welch | David Peterson |
| LITURGIST | Layne Hanson | Layne Hanson |
| LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE | 51 | |
| LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING | \$1,703.00 | |

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 221 S. Center Ave.
 Viroqua, WI 54665

**Seventeenth Sunday
 after Pentecost
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Viroqua UMC Worship Service—Sunday, 10:30 A.M.

Please turn off all cell phones and electronics

**Please stand if you are able

PRELUDE **“LA GRACE”** *by Georg Philipp Telemann (1681-1767)*
(A time to prepare for worship through prayer and meditation.)

WELCOMING WORDS, ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please sign the attendance sheets)

INTROIT

**CALL TO WORSHIP:

L. We gather to worship together,

P. Different people, different lives, different histories,

L. Yet all children of the same Parent,

P. Created lovingly by the Source of all life!

L. We gather to reconnect with one another,

P. Different people, different lives, different histories,

L. Yet all disciples of one Teacher.

P. Jesus, the Word made flesh, dwelling among us.

L. We gather with different joys and sorrows, different hopes and fears...

P. Different people, different lives, different histories,

L. Yet one people with God, one faith, one baptism.

P. Let us open ourselves to the presence of God at work in us, among us, and through us.

****HYMN OF PRAISE** **“COME SHARE THE LORD”** **TFWS No. 2269**

**OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Dear Lord, we are each different but we each need You. We are each different but we are each Your children. Thank You for loving us the same each and all. Amen

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION OF BROKENNESS. (in unison)

Almighty God, we confess that we judge others and we play favorites. We are accepting of those who are accepting, but we reject those who seem narrow-minded and closed off to the world. We want to accept everyone except those people. We forget that all of us are made in Your image, and that all of us have sinned and fall short. Forgive us for our pride and arrogance. Forgive us for our selfishness and self-centeredness. Forgive us when we judge and despise others, even when we claim that judging others is wrong. Turn us back to Your path, turn us back to Your love, and guide us in ways to restore and heal relationships. In the name of Jesus, who emptied his pride to the point of dying on the cross, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (in unison)

Where can we go from God's spirit? Where can we flee from God's presence? There is no place that is too far for God to find us, no place that is too dark for God's light not to shine. We are God's beloved. God will seek us all the days of our lives. We are forgiven, loved, and restored. For we are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM **“Let Us Go Now to the Banquet”** *by Guillermo Cuellar*

GOSPEL **Luke 17: 5-10** **Pew Bible No. 1260**

SERMON **PASTOR ERIKA MARTINEZ-FLORES**

****HYMN** **“BREAD OF THE WORLD”** **UMH No. 624**

THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

L. O living God, for your blessing in creation, for your image deep within us, for your life in all its fullness,

P. We give thanks.

L. O Jesus, our brother, for your coming to earth, calling of us as your friends, for your sharing of our life and death,

P. We give you thanks

L. O spirit of grace and truth, for revealing yourself in community, healing us in our brokenness and inspiring us with courage to share,

P. We give you thanks.

L. O trinity of love, for the promise of a spreading tree giving shade and protection, for the vision of a body in which each part works for the health of the whole, for the invitation to a feast where the despised will be guests of honor,

P. We give you thanks.

INVITATION

SHARING OF THE GIFTS OF BREAD AND CUP

OFFERING **“THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION”** *arr. By A. Beck*

****DOXOLOGY** **UMH No. 95**

**OFFERING PRAYER: (in unison) .

You are the Great Provider, the Giver of all gifts; your love is the only true currency. Thank you for putting money into our hands, and so we freely offer it back to you for use in your service. We do this in the name of Jesus. Amen

The WVRQ radio broadcast and bulletins today are sponsored by Veryl and Lorraine Gerdl to commemorate their 64th wedding anniversary on October 8th.

Flowers on the altar today are given in loving memory of Jim and Lois Porter's wedding anniversary on October 11th.