

**LIBERTY POLE UMC**  
**Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost**  
**September 27, 2020**

*\* please stand as you are able*

PRELUDE

Barb Casper

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*GREETING OF THE COLLECTIVE

L: God is Good. **P: All the Time.**

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CENTERING THOUGHTS

**We gather to hear the stories of our ancestors, to seek stories of God's wondrous power, to share wisdom with our children.**

**We come to drink deeply from the fount of living water, to taste the wellspring of our salvation. We gather to worship as people reborn.**

HYMN #731 UMH

*Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

OPENING PRAYER

**God of infinite mercy. In the midst of our complaints,  
we yearn to find the strength of our convictions.**

**In the course of our struggles, we long for strength to humbly continue,  
forsaking positions of power and authority.**

**We want to work gladly in your vineyard,  
without thought of reward or acknowledgement.**

**Renew us in your compassion and grace,  
that our eyes may be opened to your presence  
and our minds may be filled with the very mind of Christ. Amen.**

OUR CONCERNS AND PRAISES

SILENT PRAYER

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**

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN #2107 TFWS

*Wade in the Water* vs 1-3

OLD TESTAMANT READING

Exodus 17:1-7

MESSAGE

*Strike the Rock*

Pastor Pam

OFFERING PRAYER

**God of overflowing abundance, when your people suffered from thirst,  
you satisfied their need with water from a rock.  
Receive our gifts, O God, transforming them into blessings  
that grace the lives of others like ever-flowing streams.  
Receive our thanks and our praise, our commitment and our love,  
that all might share your manifold blessings. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN #2030 UMH

*Surely It Is God Who Saves Me*

CLOSING BLESSING

**From your rock, our blessings flow.  
You fill us with good things; you satisfy our thirst.  
May we answer your call to strike the rock to release your bounty.**

BENEDICTION

## WELCOME TO ALL WORSHIPING WITH US TODAY!

Wednesday NOON Bible with Bob at New Hope  
Saturday 9 a.m. Road Cleanup Meet at Prairie View or New Hope  
October 6 6:30 Liberty Pole Board  
October 21 1:30 SPRC at Liberty Pole

### PRAYERS

The United Methodist Church, our military home and abroad, our nation and her leaders, peace in our world, the ministry of the Driftless Region.

- *Retreat: Marla Withey, Ron Hanson*
- *Liberty Pole: Deb Solverson, Michelle Olson, Joyce Funk, Naomi Fanta*
- *New Hope: Gloria Warmuth, Mae Ames, Marion Whitney, Carol Snitker*

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### Sunday Schedule:

8 a.m. Retreat, E3426 County N, De Soto 54624  
9:15 a.m. Liberty Pole, S6759 WI-27, Viroqua, WI 54665  
10:30 a.m. New Hope UMC E2290 WI-82, De Soto 54624

Online worship is available at

<http://driftlessministry.org/worship/sermons/lpnhr/>

You can also access on our You Tube channel – Driftless Ministries  
and on the church facebook pages: New Hope and Retreat UMC, and Liberty Pole UMC

**Worship service is broadcast on Vernon Communications channel 15. Look for Retreat UMC:**

**Mondays:** 4:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., & 7 p.m.; **Tuesdays:** 1 a.m., 9:30 a.m., & 3:30 p.m.

**Wednesdays:** 12 a.m., 6 a.m., 2:30 p.m., & 8:30 p.m.

**Thursdays:** 5 a.m., 11 a.m., & 8:30 p.m.; **Fridays:** 1:30 a.m., 10 a.m., & 4 p.m.

**Saturdays:** 12:30 a.m., 6:30 a.m., 3 p.m., & 9 p.m. ; **Sundays:** 5:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., & 8 p.m.

### Worship protocols in place:

- Wear a mask
- Sit at appropriate distance
- Children stay with family through service
- Follow guidance of ushers and pastor
- Sing only with volume of speaking voice or speak lyrics to hymns
- Your attendance and location in the sanctuary is recorded each week



## LIBERTY POLE United Methodist Church Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost September 27, 2020



*“I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink. ~Exodus 17:6*

9:15 a.m. Worship  
S6759 WI-27, Viroqua, WI 54665

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for the Transformation of the World