



# Monroe United Methodist Church

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**July 1, 2018 8:00 and 10:45 Worship**

## The Church Gathers in God’s Name

PRELUDE John Daane

PRAYER OF PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP  
Fill our minds with holy thoughts, O Lord, that we may think what you would have us think and worship you with purity of heart. Amen.

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING CHORUS Have Thine Own Way Adelaide Pollard 1902  
**Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!**  
**Thou art the potter; I am the clay.**  
**Mold me and make me, after thy will,**  
**While I am waiting, yielded and still.**

**Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!**  
**Search me and try me, Savior today!**  
**Wash me just now, Lord, wash me just now,**  
**As in thy presence humbly I bow.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

### TRINITY HYMN

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**God Almighty, great Creator, Lord and Father, King and Friend,**  
**ever full, yet ever giving, pure, but quick to condescend!**  
**Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Love that none can comprehend!**

**Fullness of the Father’s glory, human Son, Immanuel,**  
**Word of God, his mercy spoken, crushing sin and death and hell!**  
**Hallelujah! Hallelujah! God is here, and all is well!**

**God is with us – breathe his Spirit! Know your heaven here begun,**  
**bathed in life and love and power, fruit of all that Christ has done.**  
**Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Earth and heaven breathe as one.**

**God the Father, Son, and Spirit! All around and all within,**  
**God has wrapped us in his being. All is life and peace in him.**  
**Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Morning dawns, let life begin!**

### UNISON PRAYER

I confess, dear Lord, that I have not loved you or my neighbor as I should.  
I have neglected opportunities to do good;  
sometimes that neglect brings actual harm.  
My conscience accuses me of petty matters while I am blind to your weightier demands. I know a mere apology will not suffice:  
I need to be transformed.  
I resolve to turn from the sins I know and ask you to show me the sins lurking within which I don’t yet recognize.  
I resolve to forgive those who have wronged me and seek reconciliation.  
Christ, I ask that your words, in all their richness, would dwell in my heart. Amen.

### TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

## The Church Hears God’s Word

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN King Jehoshaphat

SPECIAL MUSIC Title (8:00)  
Divine Intervention (10:45)

## EPISTLE READING

Colossians 1: 10-14, CEV

In fact, we always pray that God will show you everything he wants you to do and that you may have all the wisdom and understanding his Spirit gives. Then you will live a life that honors the Lord, and you will always please him by doing good deeds. You will come to know God even better. His glorious power will make you patient and strong enough to endure anything, and you will be truly happy.

Colossians 3: 5-17, NLT

So put to death the sinful, earthly things lurking within you. Have nothing to do with sexual sin, impurity, lust, and shameful desires. Don't be greedy for the good things of this life, for that is idolatry. God's terrible anger will come upon those who do such things. You used to do them when your life was still part of this world. But now is the time to get rid of anger, rage, malicious behavior, slander, and dirty language. Don't lie to each other, for you have stripped off your old evil nature and all its wicked deeds. In its place you have clothed yourselves with a brand-new nature that is continually being renewed as you learn more and more about Christ, who created this new nature within you. In this new life, it doesn't matter if you are a Jew or a Gentile, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbaric, uncivilized, slave or free. Christ is all that matters, and he lives in all of us.

Since God chose you to be the holy people whom he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. You must make allowance for each other's faults and forgive the person who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. And the most important piece of clothing you must wear is love. Love is what binds us all together in perfect harmony. And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are all called to live in peace. And always be thankful.

Let the words of Christ, in all their richness, live in your hearts and make you wise. Use his words to teach and counsel each other. Sing psalms, and hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts. And whatever you do or say, let it be as a representative of the Lord Jesus, all the while giving thanks through him to God the Father.

## SERMON

# The Church Responds to God

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION at 8:00  
SHARING PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS

RECEIVING TITHES AND OFFERINGS with Doxology

PERSONAL PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER  
**Father, may your name be honored.** **New Living Translation**  
**May your Kingdom come soon.**  
**May your will be done here on earth, just as it is in heaven.**  
**Give us our food day by day.**  
**And forgive us our sins –**  
**just as we forgive those who have sinned against us.**  
**And don't let us yield to temptation,**  
**For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

HYMN May the Mind of Christ My Savior Katie Barclay Wilkinson  
**May the mind of Christ my Savior live in me from day to day,**  
**by his love and power controlling all I think and do and say.**  
**May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour,**  
**so that all may see I triumph only through his humble power.**

**May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything**  
**that I may be calm to comfort all the sick and sorrowing.**  
**May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea;**  
**Christ exalting, self-abasing, now I know his victory.**

**May I run the race before me, strong and brave to face the foe,**  
**looking only unto Jesus as each day I onward go.**  
**May Christ's beauty rest upon me as I seek the lost to win,**  
**and may they forget the channel, seeing only peace from him.**

**May I take off godless habits as I would old, filthy rags;**  
**strip myself of hate and anger, impure motives, shame that nags.**  
**May I put on righteousness and live a life of truthfulness,**  
**Christ, renew my mind, my desires, clothe me now in holiness.**

DEPART WITH BLESSING



July Stewardship Message  
God is consistent in his love toward us;  
we learn to be consistent in our response.

“The LORD leads with unfailing love and faithfulness all who keep his covenant and obey his demands. Psalm 25:10

### Stewardship box in announcements?

#### Opening Hymn

Lauda Anima 87.87.87 or Regent Square

Closing Hymn: Joyful, Joyful Jeff Trombone?

Change clothes – look at old photo albums  
Like the awards shows – ‘who are you wearing?’

Recognize the sin  
Repent of the sin  
Respond to Christ a plan

It will turn your life upside down – both frightening and a relief!

Quit all these sins are about relationship taking off  
Sexual immorality – opposite of sexual morality, clearly stated as one man, one woman in marriage. All else is immoral.  
Impurity – the on ramp of immorality lustful, morally unclean  
Passion – losing control about sex or evil desires  
Our culture tells us this is old fashioned, unreasonable  
Is sex ‘a part of life’ or a ‘part of marriage’?  
Covetousness and idolatry – desire out of your grasp/out of God’s will  
‘I need this to be happy.’  
Anger Wrath Malice -- We like to see others fail  
Slander – aka gossip – it’s still slander if you don’t know the people (politicians, celebrities)  
Obscene talk, cussing, what’s normal in your communication/  
Vocabulary

List of starts – putting on