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20th Sunday after Pentecost October 23, 2022. 9 am.
Liturgist: Howard Gomer

WELCOME, PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST, & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Praise is due to you, O God, O you who answers prayer.

P: Happy are those who live in your courts—those who are satisfied with the goodness of your house and your holy temple.

L: You are the hope of all things, Holy One, from the ends of the earth to the farthest seas.

P: You make the gateways of the evening and the morning shout for joy.

L: Rejoice in God, O people, and be glad.

P: Let us shout and sing together for joy.

*OPENING PRAYER

Lord! Thou didst once say: ‘No man knoweth the Father save the Son, and he to whom the Son willeth to reveal Him.’ And again: ‘I made known unto them Thy name, and will make it known, that the love wherewith Thou hast loved Me may be in them.’ Lord Jesus, reveal to us the Father. Let His name, His infinite Father-love, the love with which He loved Thee, according to Thy prayer, BE IN US. Then shall we say aright, ‘OUR FATHER!’ Then shall we apprehend Thy teaching, and the first spontaneous breathing of our heart will be: ‘Our Father, Thy Name, Thy Kingdom, Thy Will.’ And we shall bring our needs and our sins and our temptations to Him in the confidence that the love of such a Father care for all. Amen. - Andrew Murray (1828-1917)

*OPENING HYMN	<i>Come and Find the Quiet Center</i>	#2128
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CHILDREN'S TIME Paul Hoffman

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creator God, we confess this day to engaging in habits that diminish the bounty of your creation. Not satisfied with the goodness of your holy temple, your seas and mountains, your rain and soil, we have fashioned a system of sustenance that seems good to us, but cannot be sustained. Be merciful to us, for we have sinned. Answer us with awesome deeds of deliverance, O Hope of the Earth. Give us vision and a prophetic spirit. Renew our vocation, as stewards of your creation. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Do not lose heart. Those who humbly admit their sins find favor with God. For God answers prayer, and forgives transgression. Believe this good news: We are forgiven and freed to newness of life. AMEN.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Shon

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(In Unison)*

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.

BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO GOD WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS

God has dealt wonderfully with us. We have what we need. Now we are called to share from our abundance to support the work of God through this church. May we give gladly, however great or small, to thank God for our call to be Christ's hands and feet in this world.

SPECIAL MUSIC *If My People Will Pray* by Keith Christopher Choir

*DOXOLOGY *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”* #95

*OFFERTORY PRAYER Pastor

SCRIPTURE 2 Chronicles 7:11-16

HYMN OF PRAISE	<i>Where the Spirit of the Lord Is</i> (2x)	#2119
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MESSAGE Prayers for Healing & Restoration Rev. Shon

CLOSING HYMN *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying* (2x) #2193

*BENEDICTION Rev. Shon

Verse of the Week: 2 Chronicles 7:14

“If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”

SCRIPTURE: 2 Chronicles 7:11-16 (NIV)

¹¹ When Solomon had finished the temple of the Lord and the royal palace, and had succeeded in carrying out all he had in mind to do in the temple of the Lord and in his own palace, ¹² the Lord appeared to him at night and said:
“I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself as a temple for sacrifices.
¹³ “When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command locusts to devour the land or send a plague among my people, ¹⁴ if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. ¹⁵ Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place. ¹⁶ I have chosen and consecrated this temple so that my Name may be there forever. My eyes and my heart will always be there.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

RADIO BROADCAST: The Radio Broadcast this morning is sponsored in honor of Sarah Shon’s birthday offered by David Shon.

PRAYER FAMILIES: Pray for all those who need healing, or have health issues. Specifically, pray for Karen Dolsey, Madyson Schultz. Also continue to pray for those in Ukraine and other areas of the world where people are suffering.

FRESH EXPRESSIONS: Today at 10:30am, at the Van Etta Library. All are welcome.

DISCIPLESHIP CLASS 201: Nov. 3, 10, 17, at 5 pm – 6:30pm. Dinner will be served.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CONNECTIONS: Mary Loveland will be serving meals from 5 pm.

TRUNK OR TREAT: Monday October 31, 5-7pm. Reserve your vehicle spot by Monday October 24th by contacting the church office. Donations of candy or monetary donations towards candy purchases should be brought to the office. If interested contact the office or Suzanne at 715-896-0224 or email suziegoldsmith@hotmail.com.

NEWSLETTER: November Newsletter Articles are due in the office by Tuesday October 25.

SCRIP CARDS: When you are thinking of ideas for gift giving or personal use, consider Scrip cards. Stop at the gathering area on Sundays or call Marcia at 715-284-3346

BAKING DISHES: Several baking dishes/plates have been left in the kitchen. Those dishes not claimed will be donated to Goodwill.

USHERS/GREETERS: Paul and Robin Hoffman

THIS WEEK AT THE CHURCH:

Sunday:	Fresh Expressions	10:30am		
Tuesday:	SPRC	5:30pm		
Wednesday:	Children Class	6-7pm		
	Wednesday Connections	4:45-6pm	Pre-Confirmation	5-6 pm
	Youth	6-7pm	Confirmation Class	7-8pm
	Choir	6:15pm	Bell Choir	7:15pm

Black River Falls United Methodist Church



Mission statement:

"To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by proclaiming the good news of God's grace and by exemplifying Jesus' command to love God and neighbor, thus seeking the fulfillment of God's reign and realm in the world."

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