

Kitchissippi United Church
November 10th, 2019
Remembrance Sunday

*Indicates please stand in body or spirit
Congregational responses in **BOLD** type.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

PRELUDE *Prelude in C Minor*

Fischer

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A NOTE ABOUT THE SERVICE

INTROIT: MINSTREL BOY

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER†

We gather this morning to worship God, to pray for peace, and to remember the ways in which times of war have destroyed God's creation: the land, the water and people.

We gather as the people of God.

We come to worship this morning with all kinds of feelings: sadness, regret, repentance, pride, hope, gratitude, frustration and thanksgiving.

We come as the people of God.

Let us pray together as the people of God:

O God, our help in ages past, our home for today, and our hope for the future, be with us now as we gather for worship this day.

Support our voices as we sing of your presence with us. Raise our spirits as we remember those who have died in times of war. Deepen our relationship with you as we pray and consider our faith. Open our hearts to understand your call to peacemaking and peacekeeping, empowering us to answer that call in all we say and do, in this service and in our daily lives. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** *When Will People Cease Their Fighting?* **VU 687**

**CHILDREN'S PROCESSION - LAYING OF THE POPPIES,
WREATHS AND SYMBOLS OF PEACE**

CHILDREN'S ANTHEM *Peace for the Children*

Doreen Lankshear-Smith

- * The Last Post
- * Minute of Silence
- * Rouse

OUR RESPONSE: ††

Hear the vision of the prophets: **“and they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.” We trust the God who longs for peace. Let us be strengthened and empowered to be peacemakers and peacekeepers in our world. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

***SUNG RESPONSE** *Abide with Me (verse 1)*
(Children will make their way to Sunday school.)

VU 436

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION††

Denise Bonomo

Loving God, you speak to us in so many ways: in the song of a bird, in the babbling of a brook, in the voices of our friends, in the hug of loved ones, in the songs we sing, and in the stories of the Bible. Speak to us now through the reading of scripture and the telling of stories. Help us to hear your voice and follow the way of Jesus. Amen.

ENLISTMENT – Kevin Kasumba

RESPONSIVE PSALM 98

VU818

SERVICE IN EUROPE – Ian MacGregor

READING Luke 7:1-10 (pg. 1002)

SUNG RESPONSE *Old Rugged Cross*

*On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross
The emblem of suffering and shame
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross
Till my trophies at last I lay down
And I will cling to the old rugged cross
And exchange it some day for a crown*

CHURCH OF THE MISFITS – Erica Braunovan

ANTHEM *O Almighty God*

Barcrofte

FROGMEN OF BURMA – Barbara Nunn

THE LANGUAGE OF WAR – Rev. Jenni

RESPONSE TO THE SCRIPTURES

May the Spirit bless these readings to our understanding. **Amen.**

***HYMN** *Let There Be Light*

VU 679

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERING *Chant de Matin*

Boellmann

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE** *Your Work O God*

VU 537

*Your work, O God, needs many hands, to help you everywhere,
And some there are who cannot serve, unless our gifts we share.
Because we love you and your work, our offering now we make:
Be pleased to use it as your own, we ask for Jesus' sake.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION†† (unison)

God of all peoples and God of all places, we present these offerings, that they may be used to extend your liberating peace. With them, we offer our varied ministries, that each of us may be part of your answer to the cries of the world. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND CONCERN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

***HYMN** *For the Healing of the Nations*

VU 678

***COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION**

RECESSIONAL *Toccata in D Minor*

Fischer

(Please feel free to stay and listen or to move to the hall for coffee, tea and cookies. All are welcome!)

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