

CAROLYN MCPHERSON, Today's Guest Leader

A native of Kansas, Carolyn McPherson graduated from Ottawa University in her home state, then went on for a graduate degree at Andover Newton Theological School in Massachusetts. Carolyn and her husband, James E. McPherson, first came to Ithaca in 1962-64 when he was a Danforth Intern at Cornell United Religious Work and she was Director of Christian Education at First Baptist Church.

After living and working in Princeton, NJ and Keuka Park, NY, they returned to Ithaca with son Scott and daughter Andrea in 1978 when Jim joined the Cornell administrative staff in ILR, and she served as Education Consultant at First Baptist Church and then proceeded to hold a number of administrative positions at Cornell, retiring as Assistant Director of Gender Equity in the Office of Equal Opportunity.

After retiring from Cornell in 1994, she has served as Interim Pastor for churches in Groton, DeRuyter, Homer twice, and Cortland twice, as well as being the Parish Associate at First Congregational Church and Ministry Involvement Coordinator of the First Presbyterian Church in Ithaca. In her retirement Carolyn especially enjoys times with grandchildren Zachary, Mack and Julie (Brentwood, TN) and Eva and Ana (Ithaca).



THE CHAPEL IN MINISTRY AND MISSION

PASTOR BLAIR WILL BE AWAY until August 27th, when she will return to the pulpit. She will be traveling and resting, but is available in the event of an emergency.

GUEST PASTOR: On August 20, we will again welcome Cornell Cooperative Ministry Chaplain Taryn Mattice, to lead the service and preach.

CHAPEL PICNIC? Would folks be interested in a Chapel picnic at the end of the summer, when we're all back in town? We've had lovely picnics at Myers Park in Lansing, where there's lots of room to run around, but there are other possible venues. This would require an organizer and promoter. Any thoughts? Please see Susan Spear, geospear@citlink.net.

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Ministers: All the People

Major Religions Have Versions of the Golden Rule

Christianity: In everything do to others as you would have them do to you. ~ *Gospel of Matthew*

Judaism: What is hateful to you, do not do to others. This is the entire Law; all the rest is commentary. ~ *The Talmud*

Islam: No one of you is a believer until they desire for their brother or sister that which they desire for themselves. ~ *Hadith*

Buddhism: Hurt not others with that which pains yourself.
~ *Udana-Varga*

Hinduism: This is the sum of duty: do nothing to others which if done to you would cause you pain. ~ *The Mahabharata*

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**Forest Home Chapel
United Methodist Church**

August 13, 2017

10:00 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE AND CHIMES Jack Reid, Guest Organist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Carol Hockett, Lay Servant

***GREETING ONE ANOTHER**

*One of our goals at the Chapel is to help people experience a sense of belonging.
You are invited to welcome one another in the spirit of Christian family.
Please return to your seats as music begins.*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

The morning light has broken through the darkness of the night once again.

In such a manner God's light and word breaks into our lives.

God breaks through all the confusion, doubt, and loneliness which absorb us at times. God's light shines on us and reveals all that is within us, and within God's creation.

We are promised this continued in-breaking of the Spirit. The Spirit breaks in on us today with the glad news: Today is God's day.

In this day we delight in praising the God who loves us. All praises for God's re-creation of this new day.

*HYMN #145 *Morning Has Broken*

TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS ~ *Children come forward as we sing*

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer and song: this is where children belong.

Afterwards, children may go downstairs for Summer Sundays with Christina.

*HYMN #463 *Lord, Speak to Me*

WE ENCOUNTER THE WORD

BIBLE LESSONS Deuteronomy 15:7-11 Lee Bailey, Reader
Philippians 2:1-4
Matthew 5:43-48

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON To Live with Compassion Carolyn McPherson

TIME OF SILENCE / THE LORD'S PRAYER (#894)

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

SHARING OF JOYS, BIRTHDAYS, CELEBRATIONS, AND CONCERNS

*Following each, the leader says: "Lord in your mercy."
The people respond: "Hear our prayer."*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

(Our "noisy can" collects loose change to support local food ministries.)

*HYMN OF PRAISE #94 / PRAYER OF THANKS

*HYMN #593 *Here I Am, Lord*

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

**You may stand.*

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WELCOME VISITORS! We invite you to sign the guest book in the front entryway. Restrooms are at the end of the hallways upstairs and downstairs.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR after the service in the Fellowship Hall downstairs. We are wishing Susan Ditmer good luck on her upcoming B exam, the last official trial before she leaves for further research in Chicago.