

CLOSING HYMN

*Choir's Choice*

BENEDICTION/BLESSING

Having been healed and made whole by God's love, now go out into God's world to be a healer and one who brings peace and hope to others. Know always that God is with you.

**Amen.**

\*POSTLUDE

\*You may stand

**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.

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### THE CHAPEL IN MINISTRY & MISSION

**TODAY is our dedication of items for for The ITHACA KITCHEN CUPBOARD** will be Sunday, October 7. A list of suggested food and health items is in the foyer. **Thank you for your steadfast generosity to this vital ministry.**

**CONVERSATIONS FOR AN ENGAGED COMMUNITY;** Free & Open to the Public at Forest Home Chapel. The Chapel begins a series of community lectures addressing broad topics of social justice, the environment, politics, and the arts. Talks will be held on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m., will be about 50 minutes long, and will be followed by questions and discussion.

**October 18: "Landscape in Peril."** Presenter Carol Hockett, Coordinator of School and Family Programs, Johnson Museum of Art, Cornell University. *An illustrated discussion of contemporary artists' responses to our threatened environment.*

**November 15: "Moral Lives and the First Amendment."** Presenter Steve Shiffrin, Charles Frank Reavis Sr., Professor of Law Emeritus at Cornell Law School, Cornell University. *The private and public morality encouraged by interpretations of freedom of speech and of religion is defective.*

**December 13: "Caroline Shaw's Partita for 8 Voices."** Presenters Sara Haefeli, Crystal Peebles and Timothy Johnson. All three speakers are faculty members of the School of Music at Ithaca College. *A roundtable discussion of Shaw's Pulitzer Prize-winning vocal piece, with musical examples from the Grammy award-winning album, Roomful of Teeth.*

### **DRIVE BUY PIE SALE AND CAFÉ**

Get ready to bake for the Pie Sale and Café! Helpers are needed for all stages of what is a fun way of raising funds! Our **communal pie bees** are in November: Saturday 10, 9-noon and Wednesday 14, 9-noon (apple); Thursday, 15, 2-5 and Friday 16, 9-noon (pumpkin). **Our Third Annual Drive Buy Pie Sale and Café is Saturday November 17, from 10:00 till 3:00.** Help is needed for setup, serving and sales, and cleanup. Please see Wendy Millroy, Carol Hockett, or Elizabeth Mount to sign up. Sale proceeds were voted to go to **Healthy Food For All**, a local non-profit whose mission is "making fresh, quality produce accessible to low-income families through Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) shares and educational resources."

**KARAOKE FOR A CAUSE!** To benefit Tompkins Learning Partners adult literacy program will be held at the K house on Sunday October 28th starting at about 4:30. Grace McMenemy has sign-up sheets for those who want to sing and also a pledge sheet for her today, or folks can go to Tompkins Learning Partners website [tllpartners.org](http://tllpartners.org) and register to sing or to pledge.

**Wednesday afternoons, October 10 and 17:** Join Rev. Blair for a look at the **United Methodist Church SOCIAL PRINCIPLES**, an invaluable guide to belief transformed into moral action in the world. Copies of this booklet will be provided; please bring your bible. 1:00 p.m. at the Chapel, in the Fellowship Hall.

**October 21 is LAITY SUNDAY.** Dr. Sara Haefeli, Chapel Lay Leader will preach and lead us in the service.

**YOGA** this Thursday, 5:30 Fellowship Hall. Free-will donations go to Ithaca Kitchen Cupboard.



### **FOREST HOME CHAPEL**

October 7, 2018

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# FOREST HOME CHAPEL

October 7, 2018

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

10:30 a.m.

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE

Merilee Nord, Organist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*PLEASE GREET ONE ANOTHER WITH THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*One of our goals at the Chapel is to help people experience a sense of belonging.  
Please return to your seats as the music begins.*

INTROIT

Maria Rabbia, Choir Director

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise be to God who has called us together.

**People: We come here seeking healing and hope.**

Leader: Open your hearts to God's redeeming love.

**People: Help us to hear your words, O Lord, and follow your ways.**

**All: Amen.**

\*HYMN #617

*I Come with Joy*

OPENING PRAYER

**A Companion Litany to the United Methodist Social Creed**

God in the Spirit revealed in Jesus Christ,  
calls us by grace

**to be renewed in the image of our Creator,  
that we may be one  
in divine love for the world.**

Today is the day

God cares for the integrity of creation,  
wills the healing and wholeness of all life,  
weeps at the plunder of earth's goodness.

**And so shall we.**

Today is the day

God embraces all hues of humanity,  
delights in diversity and difference,  
favors solidarity transforming strangers into friends.

**And so shall we.**

Today is the day

God cries with the masses of starving people,  
despises growing disparity between rich and poor,  
demands justice for workers in the marketplace.

**And so shall we.**

Today is the day

God deplores violence in our homes and streets,  
rebukes the world's warring madness,  
humbles the powerful and lifts up the lowly.

**And so shall we.**

Today is the day

God calls for nations and peoples to live in peace,  
celebrates where justice and mercy embrace,  
exults when the wolf grazes with the lamb.

**And so shall we.**

Today is the day

**God brings good news to the poor,  
proclaims release to the captives,  
gives sight to the blind, and  
sets the oppressed free.**

**And so shall we.**

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WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God's love and restoring mercy are poured out for us. Receive these blessings, for we are  
loved by God and granted forgiveness and mercy. **Amen.**

ANTHEM

## WE ENCOUNTER THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Mark 10:13-16

Crystal Peebles, Reader

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God!**

YOUNG DISCIPLES MOMENT *(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.**

*After this time, children may go downstairs for Sunday School.*

\*HYMN #141

*Children of the Heavenly Father*

MESSAGE

Wind in Our Faces

Rev. Dr. Robin Blair

UNISON RESPONSE

*Amen #901*

## WE RESPOND IN FAITH

SHARING OF PRAYERS, CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

*Following each, the pastor says: "Lord in your blessings."*

*The people respond: "Hear our prayer."*

TIME OF SILENCE/PASTORAL PRAYER/LORDS PRAYER

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OFFERING OUR GIFTS *(Our "Noisy Can" collects loose change for local food ministries.)*

\*DOXOLOGY #95

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION