

October 1, 2020

Dear Members and Friends of LUMC,

Greetings of grace and peace to each of you on this very first day of the month of October. For a year that is vastly different from any we have known, it sure is moving right along!

Our readings of the Scripture in the Old Testament take us back to our Sunday School years when we memorized the Ten Commandments! They are timeless words about our lives and faith. We hear some of Paul's best writing in the Epistle reading from the Philippians. He reminds us that all we hold dear in terms of pedigree or material possessions really mean very little when we stack them up against a better way: a righteous life lived as disciples of Christ. Jesus shares another parable, this one specifically for those teachers of the Law who continue to wait for something to use against him.

Our prayer list is included as always for your faithful prayers. Thus far we have added no new names this week. May God's loving presence comfort all those for whom we are in prayer. We pray as always for those battling Covid-19 and the families of those who have lost their loved ones to this pandemic.

We celebrate World Communion Sunday this week. I have included the liturgy which will be used for in-person worship. Please feel free to use it on your own, perhaps around 10:15 on Sunday morning when we will be sharing it in the sanctuary; in this way we can feel connected as the Body of Christ.

Again, just a reminder to those with Internet access, we are continuing the FB live stream of worship from our sanctuary.

Please continue to stay strong in God's promise spoken by the prophet Isaiah, "Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you." - Isaiah 41.10. May God continue to bless us all. Be well.

Love

God's blessings,

Pastor Elizabeth

Please Pray For....

**Bob Baumer
Paul Bernier
The Camerdese Family
Lola Carlson
Clyde Cavender
Jorge Chavis and Family
Davis and Statler Families
Sid and Carolyn Dobson
Connie Doboga
Edra's Family's concerns
Joe Gardner
Larry Gordon
Corinne and James Goss
Dr. John Guernelli
Andy and Priscilla Higgins
Jennifer and William
The Jewett Family
Kelly
Georgette Lebourdais
Lisbon's Students,
Teachers, and Staff
The Rev. Loni Lynn
Richard and Margaret
Main
Lori McDougal
Madelyn McHale
Millson/Rogers Family
Marianne Ouellette
Sam Owens
Debi Pensiero
Annette Powers
Ralph Profenno
Abby Quinlivan**

**Mark Ramsay
Ray and family
Claire Richardson
Clifford Roberts
April and Dave Rollins
Jim Ross
Russell/Cornish families
Sage and mom, Rachel
Samson family
Savannah
Bob Schmidt
Win and Duanne Smith
Patsy Stevens
Laurie and Larry Taylor
Freddy Tome
Mike and Elaine Trumble
Bob and Barbara
Underwood
Rick and Patty Vieta
Pam Wolfe
Megan and Sandy Zanghy**

- *Victims of Disaster & Violence***
- *The United Methodist Church***
- *Those Battling Addiction***
- *Individuals with Alzheimer's & their families***
- *The World as it Battles Covid-19***
- *Race Relations in the US***

