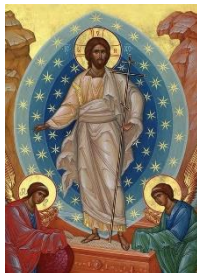


**Welcome to Cedar Springs  
United Methodist Church  
August 16, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.**



**Music for Gathering** – “Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling” (UMH 348)  
Bonnie Hitchingham

**Greeting**

**Scripture** — Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b - Betty VanderWal

**Opening Prayer** – Betty VanderWal

**Call to Worship** – Larry French

May God be merciful to us and bless us;  
may He smile with kindness upon us.  
Then everyone on earth will learn to follow Him,  
and all nations will see His power to save.

**Let the people praise You, O God—  
let all the people everywhere praise You!**

May the whole world celebrate and sing for joy,  
because You judge fairly and with integrity,  
and guide all people, near and far.

**Let the people praise You, O God—  
let all the people everywhere praise You!**

Our God has richly blessed us,  
providing abundantly for all our needs.

**May God continue to bless us,  
and may the whole world come to know and worship our God.  
Amen**

**Together with Kids** – “Jesus Loves Me! This I Know” (UMH 191, vs. 1)  
Janet, Evelyn & Noah Scott

**Scripture** – Matthew 15:10-28

**Things That Defile** -<sup>10</sup> Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand: <sup>11</sup> it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.” <sup>12</sup> Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?” <sup>13</sup> He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. <sup>14</sup> Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. [a] And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” <sup>15</sup> But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” <sup>16</sup> Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? <sup>17</sup> Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? <sup>18</sup> But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. <sup>19</sup> For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. <sup>20</sup> These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.”

**The Canaanite Woman's Faith** -<sup>21</sup> Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” <sup>23</sup> But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” <sup>24</sup> He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” <sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” <sup>26</sup> He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” <sup>27</sup> She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

**Prayers of the Community**

**Life Together & Missions Moments**

**Music** –

**The Offering**

**Send Off**

**Music** - Bonnie Hitchingham

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**Participants**

Betty VanderWal, Liturgist

Janet, Evelyn & Noah Scott, Together with Kids

Bonnie Hitchingham, Pianist

Larry French, Pastor

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## Cedar Springs in Prayer

Names will remain on the prayer list for 1 month unless notified. Thank you.

Members	Friends	In Care Facilities
Wayne & June Price	Family of Barbara Mickam	The Brook of C.S.-
Ethel Ergang	Walt Jones	Albert & Frances Abel
Woody & Jan Avis	Jim & Rose Hunt	Phil & Bev Wesche
Janet Avery & family	Jim Opperman	
Ken Shaw	Esther Koning	Metron of C.S. -
Carol Brooks	Helen Haight	Rose Hunter
Gerry & Lois Collis	Scott Lovell & family	
Chuck Smith	Dale Waller	
Hal Ringler	Tim Price	
Fred & Carollee Gunnell	Randy Benedict	
Bud & Helen Gambie		
<b>Kids Hope USA:</b>	Mentors, Prayer Partners, and Students	
<b><u>In Our Country's Service:</u></b>		
Jordan Ackerman	Aaron Burnside	Tyler Hinton
Mitchell Phillips	Elisabeth Bullen	
Nick Segard	Peter & Mikelle Noreen	
Jenny Jo Collin (Mueller)	Russell & Janet (Noreen)	Scott-Evelyn, Noah
James & Jackie (Champion) Finley	Ben & Sarah (Noreen)	Smith- Kate

**Sympathy to** Wayne & June Price on the passing of Wayne's sister, Barbara Mickam. Please keep their families in your prayers.

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## Church News

The Church Council meeting scheduled for August, 17 has been cancelled. We will meet again in September.

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