



Psalm 119:33-40
Romans 13:8-14
Matthew 18:15-20

15th Sunday
After Pentecost
09/10/2023

“Getting Along With
Each Other, Pt. 1”

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Welcome & Announcements

Carleton Philbrick

Welcome from the Pastor

Prelude

Jo Murry

*Call to Worship

Carleton Philbrick

Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song! Let God's
praises fill the air!

**Let us rejoice and be glad! Let us come and bow down before the
Lord our Maker!**

The Lord looks on us with favor! God leads us from victory to victory!

**The Lord is sovereign over all the earth! The Lord rules with
justice! Praise the Lord!**

*Opening Prayer (In Unison)

Carleton Philbrick

**O source of love, we know what love is because you loved us first. As
we seek to follow your way let us not be so single-minded in our pur-
suit of personal righteousness that we neglect the journeys of others.
Help us to turn toward you, so that we might inspire others to turn
around too. Through Christ, in Christ, by the power of the Holy
Spirit we pray. Amen.**

*Opening Song of Praise

#63

“The Lord Is God”

Call to Confession

Carleton Philbrick

Prayer of Confession

**Creator God, you call us to live together as one people. Yet so often we
allow divisions to pull us apart. In our nation, we witness how
bitter animosities and petty jealousies hinder the work of our
government. In our families, we see how past wrongs and old grudges
can result in resentment and alienation. And even in the church, there
are times when we permit hurt feelings and bruised egos to fester out
of control. Eternal Lord, forgive us for the way we allow sin to divide
us. By the gift of your Spirit, make us agents of reconciliation, so that
together we might remove the barriers between us and live together in
unity and peace. In your mercy, hear us now as we silently confess the
sins of our daily lives...**

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, proclaim with me the glorious news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

#581

*Sharing the *Peace of Christ*

Prayer for Illumination

Carleton Philbrick

Awaken our hearts and minds to your Word, O God. Give us understanding so that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we are able to do all that you command for love's sake. Gathered in Christ's name, gathered around the Word, we pray. Amen.

First Scripture Reading Psalm 119:33-40 Carleton Philbrick

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes,
and I will observe it to the end.

Give me understanding, that I may keep your law
and observe it with my whole heart.

Lead me in the path of your commandments,
for I delight in it.

Turn my heart to your decrees,
and not to selfish gain.

Turn my eyes from looking at vanities;
give me life in your ways.

Confirm to your servant your promise,
which is for those who fear you.

Turn away the disgrace that I dread,
for your ordinances are good.

See, I have longed for your precepts;
in your righteousness give me life.

Second Scripture Reading

Carleton Philbrick

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness

and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading Matthew 18:15-20 Pastor Carl McCormack

"If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

"Getting Along With Each Other, Pt. 1"

Rev. Carl

*Affirmation of Faith

We believe that the unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways: that we share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind; have one God and Father, are

filled with one Spirit, are baptized in one baptism, eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one name, are obedient to one Lord, work for one cause, and share one hope.

*Song of Forgiveness #445 “God, How Can We Forgive”

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Stewardship Moment

Offering/Offertory

*Doxology #606

*Prayer of Dedication

*Song of Dedication #761 “Called As Partners In Christ’s Service”

*Charge & Benediction

*Postlude Jo Murry

Assisting in Worship:
 Carl McCormack, Pastor
 Carleton Philbrick, as Liturgist
 Cindy Witherspoon-Allen, as Greeter
 Deb & Russ Mathis, as Ushers
 Jo Murry, as Pianist

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost—September 10, 2023

9:45am—Pastor Carl—the Bible in 90 Days—Parlor

11am—Worship Service

Pastor Carl McCormack

After worship service—Steen Hall—church family luncheon
and Pastor Carl's power point presentation

Monday, September 11, 2023

10:30am—Monday Morning Prayer Group—Conference Room

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

7pm—Woodworkers

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

4:30pm—Bells Practice

Friday, September 15, 2023

7pm Arkansas Country Dance Society—Steen Hall

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost—September 17, 2023

9:45am—Pastor Carl—the Bible in 90 Days—Parlor

11am—Worship Service

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• PRAYER NOTES

Recent: Jack McCollum, Diana McCray, Grady Nixon, Becky Webster

Continued Prayers: Patt Bond, Pat Clark, Donna Ellis, Bill Jones, Ginny Jones, Jesse Macon-Teague, Ann McCollum, Judy Peters, Wendell Phillips, LaVonne Smith,

Prayers For Friends Of The Church: Riley Carter, Dana Chadwick, Lynn Chadwick, Charles Clark, Darnell Clark, Jeff Conner, Ralph Doty, Susan Gibbes; Constance Hughes, Travis Kasper, Terri McMaster, Tom Murry, Stephanie Phillips, Liam Pierce, Elizabeth Pollard, Denny Webster, Jennifer Willen,

Prayers For Those In Home Confinement: John Atterbury, Ann Cother, Bunn Falls (Johnson County Health & Rehab), Clarksville, Steve Pollard (AR State VA Home), David Rennie, Ann Woods.

Prayers For Those In Grief: For those who are still mourning the loss of a loved one.

Lord, you know those who are hurting right now. We know you care because you are our Heavenly Father. God, I thank you for giving us comfort when we hurt. Help us remember we are not alone as we grieve. Help us cling to You when we feel despair and we miss those we have lost. Father, show us how to take refuge in You when our hearts are shattered. We know you understand. So we lift up each person reading this right now. Comfort them. We pray this in Your Son's precious and Holy name. In Jesus' name, Amen. (by Anne Peterson)

*Please contact the church office if you need someone placed on or taken off the prayer notes. Thank you.