

We are family
“Welcome Home”
75th Anniversary
Celebration

September 24, 2023
17th Sunday After Pentecost



Pastor Carl McCormack
“At The End Of The Line”
Psalm 145:1-8
Matthew 20:1-16

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Welcome & Announcements

Carleton Philbrick

Welcome from the Pastor

*Call to Worship

Carleton Philbrick

By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not of your own doing;

It is the gift of God – not the result of anything we have done, so that we may not boast.

And so it is by grace, not by our merit, that we come before God this day, grateful for God’s wondrous gift of love and salvation.

In the name of Jesus our Savior, we have gathered. In faith and humble trust, let us worship God.

*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Carleton Philbrick

O God, from your providing hand even the dissatisfied and grumbling receive what they need for their lives. Teach us your ways of justice and lead us to practice your generosity so that we may live a life worthy of the gospel made known through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord. Amen.

*Opening Song of Praise #1 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

Call to Confession

(1 John 1:8-9)

Carleton Philbrick

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, you know our weaknesses. Fearful of the future, we forget what you have done for us in the past. We see scarcity where you supply abundance. We complain when conditions challenge us. We begrudge others their success, allow envy to divide us, and live lives that contradict the gospel. Generous God, forgive us. Help us to remember your wonderful works, trust your gracious provisions, seek out your presence, and strive side-by-side with others to serve you well. 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

*Passing the Peace

Charter Member families share memories and thoughts.
John Royer & Les Steen

Prayer for Illumination Carleton Philbrick

Let the wisdom of your Word rain down on us like manna and feed us, that we may be strengthened to do the work to which we are called, for the glory and honor of your name. Amen.

First Scripture Reading Psalm 145:1-8 Carleton Philbrick

I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless you,
and praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable.
One generation shall laud your works to another,
and shall declare your mighty acts.
On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
The might of your awesome deeds shall be proclaimed,
and I will declare your greatness.
They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness,
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.
The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 20:1-16 Pastor Carl McCormack

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The Word Proclaimed “At The End Of The Line” Rev. Carl McCormack

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived of
the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pi-
late, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the
third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and
sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he
shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy
Ghost, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the for-
giveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen. (*universal)

*Song of Affirmation

#63

“The Lord Is God”

Prayers of the People

Stewardship Moment

Offering/Offertory

“His Eyes On The Sparrow”
Tamara Boggs & Jo Murry

*Doxology

#606

*Prayer of Dedication

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving & The Lord’s Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

Words of Institution

Serving the People of God

Prayer after Communion

*Song of Joyful Dedication

#625

“How Great Thou Art”

Charge & Benediction

Postlude

“Built On The Rock”

By Gordon Young
Karen Horton, organist

Assisting in Worship:

Carl McCormack, Pastor

Carleton Philbrick, as Liturgist

Cindy Witherspoon-Allen, as Greeter

Barbara Biedenharn, Bobby & Cherokee Cole,

Deb & Russ Mathis, & Beck Webster as Ushers

Jo Murry, as Pianist

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost—September 24, 2023

75th Anniversary “Welcome Home” Celebration

***No Sunday School on this Sunday only.**

10am—Coffee

11am—Worship Service—Pastor Carl McCormack

Noon—Catered Reception—Steen Hall

All are welcome!

Monday, September 25, 2023

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

11:30am—Worship Committee Meeting—Conference Room

Tuesday, September 26, 2023

10am—A Special Guest Book Club

Friday—Saturday, September 29, 2023

7pm—AR Country Dancer Society

Saturday—September 30, 2023

5pm—50+ - Liz & Phil Terrell

Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost—October 1, 2023

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

11am—Worship Service—The Lord’s Supper

Pastor Carl McCormack

• PRAYER NOTES

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Recent: Jack McCollum, Diana McCray, Grady Nixon,

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

Prayers For Friends Of The Church: Riley Carter, Dana Chadwick, Lynn Chadwick, Charles Clark, Darnell Clark, Jeff Connor, Susan Gibbes; Constance Hughes, Margret Hutson, Pam Johnson, Travis Kasper, Terri McMaster, Barbara Monroe, Tom Murry, Stephanie Phillips, Liam Pierce, Elizabeth Pollard, 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 the family of Betty Jean Moore, who passed away Saturday, September 16.

For those who are still mourning the loss of a loved one.

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