Merging Waters United Church

Sunday Morning Worship October 20, 2024

World Food Sunday

WELCOME / BIENVENUE

People of all ages, identities, and walks of life are welcome.	Toutes et tous sont bienvenus, peu importe l'âge, l'identité ou les conditions de vie.
Wherever you are, whoever you are, we welcome you in love and community to worship.	Peu importe où que vous soyez, qui que vous soyez, nous vous accueillons dans l'amour et la communauté pour louer Dieu ensembles.
Wherever we are, we're close in one another's hearts.	Notre amour n'est jamais limité par la distance.

Please join in the responses in **bold text.** Veuillez vous joindre aux réponses en **texte gras.**

Keep our worship scent-free! To help fellow worshippers with chemical sensitivities, please do not wear perfume or scented products (lotion, hair spray) if attending in person.

Veillez à ce que notre culte soit exempt d'odeurs ! Pour aider les fidèles souffrant de sensibilités chimiques, nous vous demandons de ne pas porter de parfum ou de produits parfumés (lotion, laque) si vous assistez au culte en personne.

To protect personal privacy, please do not take photos or videos without authorization.

Pour protéger la vie privée, ne prenez pas de photos ou de vidéos sans autorisation.

WELCOME

God is good
All the time
All the time

God is good.

LIFE AND WORK OF THE PEOPLE

GATHERING

ACKNOWLEDGING THE TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

CENTERING MUSIC Our Land Is Like a Poem

lyrics by James Reebank music by M. Woytiuk

OUR PLACE IN THE UNIVERSE (LIGHT A CANDLE)

SPIRITUAL FOCUS

In faith we call out to God.
We long to be near you, O God.
In faith we call out for God's healing touch.
We long to be near you, O God.
In faith we call out for a foundation that cannot be shaken.
We long to be near you, O God.
Come, let us worship God!

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: VOICES UNITED #520 We Plough the Fields

WHO ARE GREAT PEOPLE?

HYMN: MORE VOICES # 171 Christ Has No Body Now but Yours

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

THE WORD (SCRIPTURE) Mark 10:35-45 NRSVUE

The Request of James and John

35 James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him,
"Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." 36 And he said to
them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" 37 And they said to him, "Appoint
us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." 38 But Jesus
said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the
cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" 39 They
replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will
drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized you will be baptized, 40 but

to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to appoint, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."
41 When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. 42 So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. 43 But it is not so among you; instead, whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, 44 and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. 45 For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life a ransom for many."

SELF- REFLECTION

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

HYMN: VOICES UNITED # 595 We Are Pilgrims

LITERALLY FOOD FOR THOUGHT – A video narration Ferme Tournesol

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG: Feed the People
Words and music Stephen Stills arrangement Michael Woytiuk

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY / PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

THE LORD'S / JESUS' PRAYER Sung Voices United # 960

SENDING HYMN MORE VOICES #213 Take Up His Song

SENDING

BLESSING AND SENDING

SENDING MUSIC There is Room at the Table
Carrie Newcomer

Thank you for joining in worship today ♡

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UPCOMING SERVICES at 10:30 a.m.

27-Oct	All Saints' Day Remembering our recently (and not so recently) departed
03-Nov	Guest speaker from Elba Coffee, Merging Waters' coffee provider