

²⁰ “Teacher,” he declared, “all these I have kept since I was a boy.”
²¹ Jesus looked at him and loved him. “One thing you lack,” he said. “Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”
²² At this the man’s face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.
²³ Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!”
²⁴ The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, “Children, how hard it is ²⁴ to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.”
²⁶ The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, “Who then can be saved?”
²⁷ Jesus looked at them and said, “With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God.”
²⁸ Then Peter spoke up, “We have left everything to follow you!”
²⁹ “Truly I tell you,” Jesus replied, “no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel ³⁰ will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—along with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹ But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

TODAY’S MESSAGE **All In with Jesus?** Rev. Glen A. Shedlock

*HYMN #418 Pilgrim Hymnal (NCH) *O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee*

*BENEDICTION (Unison) From A Prayer By St. Teresa of Avila
As I return to the sacred dance of my daily living, I remember that Christ has no body now but mine. He prays in me, works in me, looks through my eyes, speaks through my words, works through my hands, walks with my feet and loves with my heart. May the blessings of the Holy One be upon me, for Christ has no body now but mine.

*RESPONSE *Spirit of God (verse 2)* Steve Garnaas Holmes

*POSTLUDE *His Name Is Wonderful* Carman

<p>Mission Statement: <i>God calls us to live our faith as disciples Sharing the love of God revealed through Christ In the community and the world.</i></p>	<p><u>Pilgrim United Church of Christ Staff</u> Transitional Pastor: <i>Rev. Glen A. Shedlock</i> Minister of Music: <i>Benjamin Knight</i> Choir Director: <i>Kimberly Knight</i> Secretary: <i>Kelly Gerstenberger</i></p>
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Twentieth Sunday of Pentecost

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUST BREATHE: (One minute of centering) Rev. Glen Shedlock

One: Holy God, as we prepare our souls for this time of worship, I ask that you would bless each of us with a calm spirit that is fully open and attentive to your loving presence. With each breath we take, may we find that there is no distance or separation between us. We are one with you, we are one with each other. Breathe into our hearts, Holy God, and fill us with your peace.

THE PRELUDE *I Need Thee Every Hour* Robert Lowry

*CALL TO WORSHIP Kelly Gerstenberger

One: We look in the mirror and what do we see?

Many: We see people who try to be faithful, even as questions and struggles challenge our faith.

One: We look in the mirror and how do we see?

Many: We see with hearts which are open to God's love, with lives which seek to trust when all the evidence tells us not to be so foolish.

One: We look in the mirror and who do we see?

Many: We see Jesus, the One who struggles with the questions we raise, who models faithfulness for all who would follow.

*HYMN #43 The New Century Hymnal (NCH) *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

GATHERING PRAYER Kelly Gerstenberger

One: Gracious God, when we cannot see you, you look in compassion upon us; when we cannot speak a word, you hear the sighs of our hearts; when we are falling apart, you hold us together with your grace.

Many: Jesus, Healing Hand of God, you reach out to take away all which distracts us from discipleship; you challenge us to give away everything which keeps us from following you; you surround us with people, even strangers, who enfold us with your love and hope.

One: Loving Spirit, when we are too weary to put one faltering foot in front of the other, you carry us in your strength;

Many: as we seek to challenge the unfairness of our world, you stand beside us in your justice; when we are afraid to come near, you hold our prayers in the depths of your heart.

PRAYER OF OUR LORD Kelly Gerstenberger

One: Now, Divine Friend, as you draw us close to your heart, which is our true home, we join our hearts and voices in praying together the prayer Jesus taught us, saying...

All: 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!

RESPONSE *Lead Me, Guide Me (refrain)*
Lead me, guide me along the way, for if you lead me I cannot stray; Lord, let me walk each day with Thee, lead me, O Lord, lead me.

DEDICATION OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERING DEDICATION *Fairest Lord Jesus* Arr. Richard Storrs Willis

JOYS & CONCERNS

TODAY'S "ARMS OF LOVE" are wrapped around **Mary Cortel!**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ANTHEM *Simple Gifts From God* Williams/Martin

OR

SPECIAL MUSIC *You Are My All in All* Jernigan

THE WITNESS OF HOLY SCRIPTURE - Kelly Gerstenberger

Mark 10:17-31 NIV

The Rich and the Kingdom of God

¹⁷ As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him.

"Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

¹⁸ "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good—except God

alone. ¹⁹ You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honor your father and mother.'^{la}"

WELCOME

We joyfully welcome all visitors!
Please join us again!

We are very glad You chose to Worship with Pilgrim United Church of Christ!

- ◇ Prayers for those experiencing grief.
- ◇ Pilgrim's Faith Community and the journey all are on. Prayers & Praises
- ◇ The spiritually empty.
- ◇ The emotionally worn-out.
- ◇ Food shortages and food deserts.
- ◇ Parent's & Grandparents, supporting their children and grandchildren.
- ◇ Turmoil around the world that is effecting many people.
- ◇ Our country's Leadership and the decisions being made that effects our future.
- ◇ ***The significant interest in Pilgrim's future by the members and friends of the faith community.***
- ◇ ***All healing from surgeries.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Acolyte: *Kristen Howe*
Altar Flowers: *Thank you!*

Live Streaming: *Dan Gerstenberger*
PowerPoint: *Kathie Richards*

Fellowship: *Not at this time.*
Liturgist: *Kelly Gerstenberger*

Steeple Lighting: *Not at this time.*
Ushers: *John Richards*

Thank you to everyone who gave up their time on October 3, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. to understand the progress made by Pilgrim's Leadership and the potential future we are discerning together! Thank You!

Drop your offering in the offering plate located near the ramp, either before or after worship today.

Offerings may also be made via Pilgrim's Website. www.pilgrimcf.org

If you would like to use a credit card, please seek out Kelly Gerstenberger, Secretary, to use Pilgrim's Square device.

Thank you ... to everyone who ... have continued to send-in contributions!

Contributions Received:

\$ 881.00	September 3, 2021	\$ 3,691.00	October 3, 2021
\$7,251.55+	September 12, 2021	\$	October 10, 2021
\$2,190.50	September 19, 2021	\$	October 17, 2021
\$5,365.00+	September 26, 2021	\$	October 24, 2021
\$		\$	October 31, 2021
\$10,323.05	September Totals	\$ 3,691.00	October Totals

+Ameriprise Reserve Account - \$2,000.00 + \$3,000.00 = \$5,000.00 Total

CALENDAR

Sunday, October 10, 2021:

10:30 a.m. Worship Service, Rev. Glen A. Shedlock, Sanctuary

Monday, October 11, 2021:

Absorbent Minds Montessori School

3:00 - 7:00 p.m. Western Reserve Suzuki School - Violin Lessons, Children's Library

6:30 p.m. Leadership Meeting, Heritage Room

Tuesday, October 12, 2021:

Absorbent Minds Montessori School

2:30 - 6:45 p.m. Western Reserve Suzuki School - Violin Lessons, Children's Library

8:00 p.m. Broad Highway group, Heritage Room

Wednesday, October 13, 2021:

Absorbent Minds Montessori School

3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Legacy Barbershop Quartet Rehearsal, Heritage Room

3:00 - 7:00 p.m. Western Reserve Suzuki School - Violin Lessons, Children's Library

4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Western Reserve Suzuki School - Cello Lessons, Adult Library

Thursday, October 14, 2021:

Absorbent Minds Montessori School

6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Cub Scout Pack #3186—Den Meetings, Social Hall

7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Emotions Anonymous, Adult Library

Friday, October 15, 2021:

Absorbent Minds Montessori School

Saturday, October 16, 2021:

12:00 - 3:00 p.m. Akron Multi-District AA meeting, Adult Library

6:00 - 10:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous, Social Hall

Sunday, October 17, 2021:

10:30 a.m. Worship Service, Rev. Glen A. Shedlock, Sanctuary

Monday, October 18, 2021:

Absorbent Minds Montessori School

:00 - 7:00 p.m. Western Reserve Suzuki School - Violin Lessons, Children's Library

6:30 p.m. Leadership Meeting, Heritage Room

