**Worship Bulletin October 3, 2021**

**Welcome and Announcements ~** Dottie Beers

Welcome to Rev. Dr. Theresa and Ken Taylor!

Thursday ~ choir practice in the sanctuary at 7pm

Saturday ~ *The Chosen* – potluck at 5:30pm, viewing at 6:30pm

Sunday ~ Mary and Martha in the vestry at 8:30am

Sunday ~ Sunday School at 9:30am

If you or someone you know needs free dental, eye, or

medical care, the remote area medical volunteer corps is offering a clinic beginning at 6 am on Oct. 2-3 at the Washington County Fairgrounds in Greenwich, NY.

Preparations are being made to offer a Take-out Chicken Pie Supper

to the church family and community on Thursday, Oct. 7th beginning at 5 pm. If you would like to help or make a reservation, please call Martha Thompson at 802-362-3473.

Thank you to Lisa Towslee for providing the flowers this morning in in celebration of their anniversary.

**Word of Preparation** ~ Dottie Beers

**Prayer of St. Augustine**

Eternal God, you are the light of the minds that know you,

the joy of the hearts that love you, and

the strength of the wills that serve you.

Grant us so to know you that we may truly love you, and

so to love you that we may fully serve you,

whom to serve is perfect freedom.

~*Augustine of Hippo, 5th-century bishop and theologian*

**Prelude ~** Jim Holden will lead us in ***I Sing a Song of the Saints of God*** (see insert)

**Call to Worship ~ Prayer of St. Francis**

(Please join in reading the bold lines.)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;

**where there is hatred, let me sow love;**

where there is injury, pardon;

**where there is doubt, faith;**

where there is despair, hope;

**where there is darkness, light;**

and where there is sadness, joy.

**O Divine Master,**

grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;

**to be understood, as to understand;**

to be loved, as to love;

**for it is in giving that we receive,**

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

**and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.**

**~** *attributed to Francis of Assisi, Italy, 13th century*

**Song ~** The Worship Team will lead the song ***“Don’t Look Back”***

*Jesus said “Be not anxious for beyond today”,*

*And we can’t know what will happen anyway.*

*And the past is past, forever gone away.*

*It’s not for us to understand*

*Everything that God has planned,*

*And He holds the future in His hands, in His hands.*

*Don’t look back, don’t jump into tomorrow;*

*Enough is the trouble for today.*

*Don’t look back or jump into tomorrow,*

*The Lord will guide your every way, every day.*

*We can be depressed about what’s come before,*

*And worry about what the future holds in store.*

*Wait and let Lord Jesus open every door.*

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*Repeat chorus…..*

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**Praying Together ~** John Hess

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

**Choir ~ *“Walk Along Beside Me” -*** Besig and Price

**Sermon ~** Rev. Dr. Theresa Taylor

***“Lessons from Habakkuk on Deepening Our Worship of God”***

Space for notes ~

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**Song** ~ “*How Great Thou Art”* **(#33 in the blue hymnal)**

*O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder*

*Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,*

*I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,*

*Thy power throughout the universe displayed.*

**Refrain**

***Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee,***

***How great thou art, how great thou art!***

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***How great thou art, how great thou art.***

*When through the woods and forest glades I wander,*

*And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;*

*When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur*

*And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;*

*And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,*

*Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;*

*That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,*

*He bled and died to take away my sin;*

*When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation*

*And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart*

*Then I shall bow in humble adoration,*

*And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!*

**Benediction ~** Rev. Dr. Theresa Taylor

**Fellowship Time ~**