



**GROWING**

**GOOD**

**GRAPES**

## **Northwest United Protestant Church**

Disciples of Christ

Sunday, Oct 08, 2023

Rev. Miriam Gentle

**“Loving and Serving Christ in our  
Community and World”**

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Prelude

Sue Lincoln

Welcome

Rev. Miriam Gentle

Gathering Music "Great is the Lord"

Chalice Praise #15

Great is the Lord He is holy and just  
By His power we trust In His love  
Great is the Lord He is faithful and true  
By His mercy He proves He is love

Great is the Lord And worthy of glory  
Great is the Lord And worthy of praise  
Great is the Lord  
Now lift up your voice  
Now lift up your voice  
Great is the Lord  
Great is the Lord (Repeat)

Call to Worship

Joe Popp

God who comes to us in Word and Spirit,  
calls us to a table set for all who hunger.

**We hunger for grace and forgiveness;  
we hunger for justice and peace.**

Let us come to Christ, Fount of all mercy,  
who quenches our thirst

**We celebrate God's well-spring of grace and goodness,  
and come ready to drink to the fill!**

God knows and meets our deepest hungers  
with bread which always satisfies.

**Alleluia, Praise be to God.**

Hymn "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" #16 (1,2,3)

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Miriam Gentle

Lord's Prayer

Unison

Scripture Reading	Isaiah 5:1-7	Joe Popp
Meditation	“Growing Good Grapes”	Rev. Miriam Gentle
Hymn	“Here at Thy Table, Lord”	#384 (1,2)
Invitation to Share		Joanna Flaten
Doxology	“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”	#50
Invitation to Communion		Rev. Miriam Gentle
Elder’s Prayer		Joanna Flaten
Words of Institution		Rev. Miriam Gentle
Communion Song		Unison
Come to the table of grace		
Come to the table of grace		
This is God’s table; it’s not yours or mine		
Come to the table of grace! ( <i>Repeat</i> )		
Partaking of the Elements		
	<i>Come forward to receive communion, grape juice, and gluten free bread.</i>	
Closing Prayer		Unison
<b>Loving God, we thank you for the power of your transforming Spirit in our lives. We pray that we may learn to love others as you have loved us. Be with us as we leave this place and go out into the world. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen</b>		
Hymn	“Take My Gifts”	#381
Benediction & Congregational Amen		“Amen”
Postlude		Sue Lincoln, Piano

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

- ◇ Prayers for:
  - ◇ Mel A (Back at home)
  - ◇ Paul V's father, Fred
  - ◇ Pat and Lindsay E
  - ◇ Sue L's daughter-in-law Misty

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### ◇ **STEWARDSHIP LETTERS:**

- ◇ Please contact the office to verify your address if you haven't received your letter yet.
- ◇ Pledge cards are also available in the Narthex.

### ◇ **MUSIC MINISTRY:**

- ◇ Bell Choir will meet on Wednesday, Oct 4 at 10 AM in the Sanctuary to practice.
- ◇ Contact Sue L at the piano to see how you can join the next season of music ministry in the spring.

### ◇ **ELDER'S MEETING:** Sunday, Oct 15

- ◇ After worship service in the Parlor.

### ◇ **CHURCH EXTERIOR REFRESH:**

- ◇ Thank you to Joe Popp for working tirelessly to soap, scrub and power wash the stucco building exterior.

### ◇ **DEACONS NEEDED:** 2024 Roster

- ◇ Please contact Jim Kion or Pastor Miriam.