

# ST. PAUL & ST. ANDREW

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Join us as we build a  
community of radical welcome  
that follows Jesus into the  
streets of the city to increase  
the amount of love and justice  
in the world.

K Karpen &  
Lea Matthews  
Pastors

**Nineteenth Sunday  
After Pentecost**

October 16, 2022  
11:00 a.m.

Livestream



Insook, Linda & Ekama ready to dig in  
at the church cookout

*As we gather on the unceded land of the Lenape peoples, we acknowledge the community, their elders both past and present, as well as future generations.*

## Sunday, October 16, 2022 ♦ Pentecost Season

### Prelude

**Frank Glass**

**Little Light** African American Spiritual, arr. Frank Glass 2020

### Introit

**Thy Word Is a Lamp Unto My Feet** (pg. 4)

### Call to Worship ♦

Jeremiah 31

**Martha Morton**

One: "The days are surely coming," God says, "When I will make a new covenant.

**Many: "I will put a law within you, and I will write it on your hearts."**

One: Oh, how I love Your law, O God! I think about Your ways day and night.

**Many: I am learning Your way of life, and it restores my soul.**

One: How sweet are Your words to my lips!

**Many: They are sweeter than honey!**

One: Be my wisdom, a lamp to my feet, to guide my path,

**Many: for a word from You can keep me from losing heart.**

### Opening Hymn 451 ♦

**Be Thou My Vision** (pg. 4)

### Opening Prayer

Adapted from Bishop

Richard Allen, AME

**Martha Morton**

### Prayer Song 500

**Spirit of God** (pg. 5, v. 1)

### Scripture Reading

**Ekama Eni**

**2 Timothy 3:14-4:5** (pg. 5)

### Scripture Song

**Spirit of God** (pg. 5, v. 2)

### Message for All Ages

**Amanda Munroe**

*Youth & kids are invited up front to the chancel. After the Message for All Ages, kids 10 and under are invited to Sunday School in the Chapel.*

### Hymn

**Spirit of God** (pg. 5, v. 5)

### Gospel Reading ♦

**Andrea Steinkamp**

**Luke 18:1-7** (pg. 6)

<b>Hymn</b>	<b>Spirit of God</b> (pg. 5, v. 4)
<b>Sermon</b>	<b>K Karpen</b> <b>“An Impatient Persistence”</b>
<b>Sermon Song</b>	<b>Robin Bahr</b> <b>Let the Sun Shine Down On Me</b> (pg. 6) Jean Ritchie, 1965
<b>Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Lea Matthews</b> <b>Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name. Thy kin-dom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kin-dom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.</b>
<b>Prayer Song</b>	<b>Santo, Santo, Santo</b> (pg. 10)
<b>Welcome of Visitors &amp; Love in Action</b>	<b>Julia Tulloch</b> (pg. 9)
<b>Offering Offertory</b>	Of tithes, gifts and prayers (pg. 12) <b>Chancel Choir</b> <b>Loved with Everlasting Love</b> George Robinson and James Mountain (1890), arr. Frank Glass (2022)
<b>Prayer of Gratitude</b>	<b>Cindy Thrall</b>
<b>Closing Hymn 519 ♦</b>	<b>Lift Every Voice and Sing</b> (pg. TK, v. 1, 2)
<b>Benediction ♦</b>	<b>K Karpen</b>
<b>Postlude</b>	<b>At the Cross</b> Isaac Watts (1707) and Ralph Hudson (1885)
<b>Livestream Audio Greeters Counters Childcare</b>	<b>Brent Ness</b> (video), <b>Chazz Pittman/Red Gate Sound</b> (video) <b>Stephen Yee</b> <b>Karen Collins, Shirley Struchen</b> <b>Don Kirby, Cynthia Round</b> <b>Al-Naima Finch</b> <i>Childcare (ages 1-3) is available in the Parlor.</i>

# Thy Word Is a Lamp

Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path. When I feel a-fraid,  
think I've lost my way, still you're there right be - side me. Noth-ing will I fear, as  
long as you are near. Please be with me till the end.  
Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

Amy Grant, 1984

Michael Smith, 1984

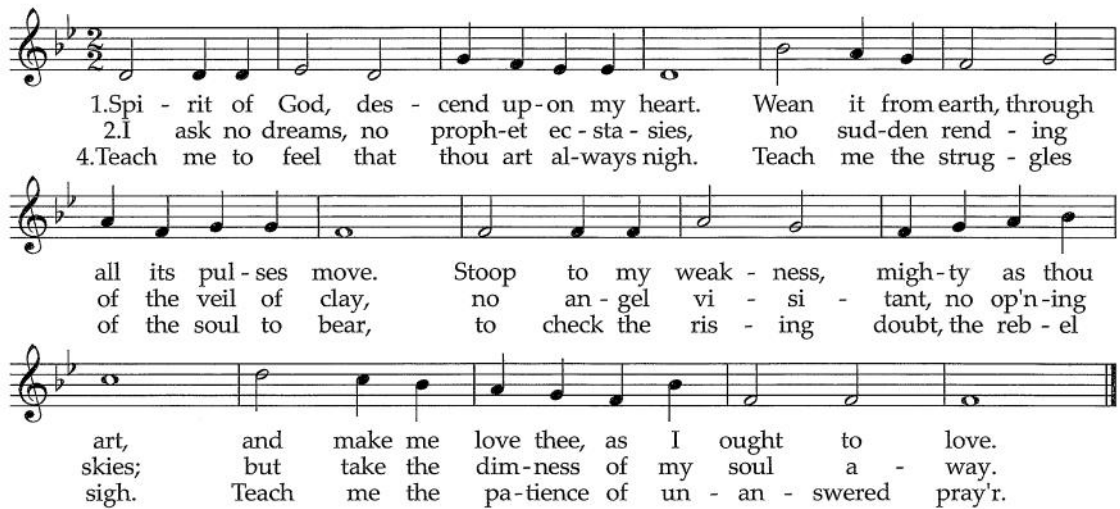
# Be Thou My Vision

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart. Naught be all else to me,  
2. Be thou my wis - dom and thou my true word, I ev - er with thee, and  
3. Great God of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won, may I reach heav - en's joys,  
save that thou art. Thou my best thought by day or by  
thou with me, Lord, thou and thou on - ly first in my  
O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be -  
night, wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
heart. Great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
fall, still be my vi - sion, O Ru - ler of all.

Ancient Irish text, translated by Mary Byrne, 1905  
Versified by Eleanor Hull, 1912, *altered*

Irish Folk Tune  
Harmonized by Frank Glass, 2020

# Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart



1. Spi - rit of God, des - cend up-on my heart. Wean it from earth, through  
 2. I ask no dreams, no proph-et ec - sta - sies, no sud-den rend - ing  
 4. Teach me to feel that thou art al-ways nigh. Teach me the strug - gles  
 all its pul - ses move. Stoop to my weak - ness, migh-ty as thou  
 of the veil of clay, no an - gel vi - si - tant, no op'n-ing  
 of the soul to bear, to check the ris - ing doubt, the reb - el  
 art, and make me love thee, as I ought to love.  
 skies; but take the dim-ness of my soul a - way.  
 sigh. Teach me the pa-tience of un - an - swered pray'r.

5. Teach me to love thee as the angels love, one holy passion filling all my frame,  
 The kindling of the heav'n-descended Dove, my heart the altar and thy love the flame.

George Croly, 1867

Frederick Atkinson, 1870

## Scripture Reading from 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in justice and righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of Christ's appearing and kin-dom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message;

be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully

*Word of God for the people of God*  
**Thanks be to God!**



# Gospel Reading Luke 18:107

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not lose heart. Jesus said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to the judge, saying, ‘Grant me justice against my opponent.’ For a while the judge refused; but later said,

‘Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming to me.’”

And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to you chosen ones who cry day and night? Will God delay long in helping you? I tell you, God will quickly grant you the justice you deserve.

The Word of God for the people of God  
**Thanks be to God!**

## Let The Sun Shine Down On Me

**Roll on, clouds in the morning (3x)**  
**Let the sun shine down on me**

I looked out this morning’,  
**Deep down trouble I see**  
Yes I looked out this morning  
**Let the sun shine down on me**  
**Roll on, clouds...**

Saw that big cloud arisin’  
**Deep down trouble I see**  
Heard my mother cryin’  
**Let the sun shine down on me**  
**Roll on, clouds...**

There was water, but I couldn’t drink it.  
**Deep down trouble I see**  
Bread, but I couldn’t eat it,  
**Let the sun shine down on me**  
**Roll on, clouds...**

I know there’s a great day comin’  
**When no more trouble I see**  
When we’ll all shout together,  
**Let the sun shine down on me**

## All Church Cookout



# Lift Every Voice and Sing

Words: James Weldon Johnson, 1921

Music: John Rosamond Johnson, 1921



1. Lift ev-'ry voice and sing till earth and hea-ven ring, ring with the har - mo - ny of  
3. God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears, thou who hast brought us thus far



li - ber - ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the list - 'ning\_ skies. Let it re -  
on\_ our way, thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the\_ light, keep us for



sound loud as the roll - ing sea\_ Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has  
ev - er in the path\_ we pray\_ Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we



taught us. Sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought  
met thee; lest our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get\_



us. Fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be -  
thee; sha-dowed be - neath thy hand, may we for - ev - er\_



gun, let us march on till vic - to - ry\_ is won\_  
stand, true to our God, true to our na - tive land\_

# Santo, Santo, Santo



Words and music: Argentine Folk Song

## Last Week at SPSA...



## Homework Help, Youth Group, Free Store...





# Putting Our Love in Action

## **Backpacks for Arriving Migrants**

In partnership with La Morada in the South Bronx, we will be taking backpacks full of emergency supplies to Port Authority for arriving migrants. We will deliver backpacks twice a month. We need your help in both gathering supplies and assembling the bags. You can mail things or drop them by the church sent c/o Lea Matthews and clearly labeled "Welcome Backpacks." Our first delivery will be Oct. 24th. Our goal is to provide at least 50 bags each delivery. We are delighted to be working with B'nai Jeshurun, John St. UMC, and Rodeph Sholom. A list of what is needed is available through Lotsa Helping Hands or by emailing Lea.

## **Assistance for Refugees at SPSA:**

Fill out the refugee support survey, below, to get involved in SPSA's efforts.

Sign up for Lotsa Helping Hands for real-time updates and to help with weekly meals:

Survey: [bit.ly/spsasanctuarysurvey](https://bit.ly/spsasanctuarysurvey)

Lotsa Helping Hands: [bit.ly/3RARS02](https://bit.ly/3RARS02)

## **Fall Bible Study**

Thursdays at 7pm on Zoom | Hosted by the UWF for the congregation, join us for this 5-week study of Luke 13 and communities of care.

## **Homework Help**

We tutor children ages 5-17 on Wednesdays during the school year from 5:45-7pm. Join us! For more info, contact Charlene Floyd: [charlenefloyd@aol.com](mailto:charlenefloyd@aol.com) | 347-346-0018

**Moral Fusion Award—postponed** The Labor-Religion Coalition of New York State, which recognized SPSA with a moral fusion award for our social justice education and practice, has postponed the awards event until 2023.

**Memorial Service—Dan Freda** Join us this afternoon, October 16 at 2pm as we remember our brother Daniel Freda, who passed on September 30. The memorial will be live streamed on YouTube or those who are not able to attend in person.

## **UMCOR Menstrual Hygiene Kit Drive:**

September 18—October 23

UWFaith is gathering materials for Menstrual Hygiene Kits. **Our goal is 100 kits!**

How to Contribute:

- Fill out the form (next page) with what you are pledging to contribute
- Place the supplies in the boxes at the back of the sanctuary at church service on Sunday
- Help assemble the kits on October 23rd

## **Ongoing**

**C & C 4.0 continues through the week of Jan 22-28.** These spiritually supportive small groups have become an essential part of our community life. TO sign up, visit: [loveinaction.churchcenter.com](https://loveinaction.churchcenter.com) and click "Groups"

## **Conversational Spanish Class**

Tuesdays at 6pm with Jessie Floyd on Zoom  
Meeting ID: 886 5989 7993  
Passcode: 192588

**Choir** The choir meets on Sunday mornings in the Chapel at 10am and then sings during the 11am service. For details, email Frank Glass.

**Pajama Prayers** our Tuesday morning gathering on Zoom for communal prayer at 7:30am. Come as you are with whatever is on your heart.  
Meeting ID : 831 7700 2923  
Phone: 646-931-3860

## **Pilates**

Thursdays at 6 with Nancy on Zoom  
Meeting ID: 883 8549 1695  
Passcode: 585042

# Joys & Concerns

## Joy & Thanksgiving

Sunday's cookout  
God's mysterious movement  
Mariah, Mary McM's first voice student  
Stacy E, Mary McM's father, marking 50 years as a  
United Methodist minister  
The children in church this week

## Healing & Health

Jan H, for healing from elbow surgery following a fall  
Owen, recovering from surgery and for Stacey  
helping her in this process  
Amanda's dad, Jeff, recovering from Covid  
T, recovering from successful radiation  
Donna H, Kathryn's friend, whose necessary  
medication is making her sicker  
Continued prayers for Herschel and Keyona, friends  
of Mary McM  
Joan, undergoing rehab  
Don K's friend, Lois, transitioning facilities  
Dave, just diagnosed with a Stage 4 cancer  
Helga, for her successful recovery  
Pat with leukemia  
Wanda with asthma  
Christine suffering from blood clots  
Joachim, who contracted Covid in rehab; for healing  
and for rehab to be able to continue  
Jenny with breast cancer

## Comfort

T and her mother, Anna who was suddenly moved  
to hospice care last week  
Arden, who whose husband died suddenly last  
week; family and friends mourning him  
Cheryl M, prayers for family and friends of her  
former colleague Diane G whose memorial service  
was Oct 11th

For Lindsay and family and friends of Dan F  
Continued prayers for Betty Ann D and family  
mourning her brother, Graham, who died last  
week.

Julie, Marianne & David's daughter, on the  
death of her cat  
All of those in grief  
People uprooted, may they be comforted

## Work & Life

Continued prayers for all the hurricane victims in  
Florida, Puerto Rico, Cuba, Dominican Republic  
and South Carolina  
Don's sister, Nancy, in Ft Myers, FL and all  
recovering from Hurricane Ian  
Connie, Jan's sister, that she may find grace in her  
life  
Travel mercies for June & Steve on a fall road  
trip  
Mari and career possibilities  
Travel mercies for David W in the Middle East with  
other faith leaders and their work with and on  
behalf of the Palestinian people; may this be a  
step toward peace  
Karen C, for a successful Poor People's Campaign  
Assembly; and for attendees to remain healthy

## Peace & Justice

All the people of Iran, especially the women and  
their supporters, protesting in the streets against  
repressive policies  
Julius—for release from back pain and prison  
The people of Ukraine  
Migrants and refugees, including our guests,  
seeking asylum in the USA due to government  
policies, climate change and myriad other issues  
Tikkun olam (repair of the world)



## Prayer requests

Scan this QR code to share your joys and concerns, or write them on the back of a Connection Card available at the Welcome Tables. Each week, our staff prays for our community and invites prayers from all. If you do not wish for your prayer to be shared with the church community, please indicate your desire with your prayer.

# UMCOR Menstrual Hygiene Kits

UWFaith invites friends and members of SPSA to gather materials for Menstrual Hygiene Kits. This initiative will send these kits to needed communities around the country and around the world.

Our Goal: 100 Kits

## Timeline:

September 18th - October 23rd: Donate supplies

October 23rd: Join together in assembling the kits

## Sample Kit:



More info at:

<https://umcmmission.org/umcor-menstrual-hygiene-kit/>

## Ways to Contribute:

- Fill out the form (paper or online) with what you are pledging to contribute.
- Place the supplies in the boxes at the back of the sanctuary at church service on Sunday.
- Help assemble the kits in plastic bags on October 23rd.

## Can't decide what to bring?

We'll be updating the online form each week with what is pledged/contributed. Access the online form here:

<https://forms.gle/NQi8oADbLmkdHHQ48>



Check off which item (or items) you will donate and the amount. For example, **10 containers** or **4 boxes**. Keep items in their original packaging.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ One-gallon re-sealable plastic bags  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Hand Sanitizer 2 oz. bottle  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Four-gallon bathroom trash bags  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Travel pack of Wet Ones (20 wipes)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Tampons - Unscented - Regular  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Tampons - Unscented - Super  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Sanitary Napkins - Unscented - Long, super, ultra-thin  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Bath-size soap (3 oz. bar or larger) - NOT Ivory or Jergens  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Flushable wipes (42 count) Unscented  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Travel laundry detergent packet (.25-.45 oz)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Financial Donation - Send a check made out to: **SPSA - UMW** and write in the memo **Menstrual Hygiene Kits**.  
Mail to the church **Attn: UMW** - 263 West 86th Street, NY, NY 10024.  
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# Who's Who

## Pastors

Rev. Dr. K Karpen\*

Rev. Lea Matthews\*

## Director of Operations

Brent Ness\*

## Building Superintendent

Danny Aponte\*

## Communications Manager

Amanda Munroe\*

## Minister of Music

Dr. Frank Glass\*

## Youth & Campus Pastor

Ekama Eni\*

## Bookkeeper

Jennifer Serrano\*

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## Our Mission

We seek to build a community of radical welcome that follows Jesus into the streets of the city to increase the amount of love and justice in the world.

*To do this, we will...*

- ◆ Be a catalyst for love-inspired action and social justice.
- ◆ Nurture and inspire Jesus' followers through dynamic worship and relationship-building to transform ourselves and the world.
- ◆ Teach and live progressive Christian values, including racial and gender equality, inter-faith partnership, LGBTQI affirmation, and empowerment of the last, the lost, and the least.
- ◆ Raise up future generations by fostering a congregation of all ages and developing young leaders & communities.



## Gifts & Offerings

Your Gifts make church happen! If you would like to make a contribution, visit [stpaulandstandrew.org/give](http://stpaulandstandrew.org/give), scan the QR code, or text "Give" to 646-971-9400. Gifts can also be dropped into the donation boxes at the Welcome Tables.