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**No Matter Who You Are Or Where You Are
On Life's Journey, You Are Welcome Here!**

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 11, 2013

*Means those who are able please stand

Songs: SP & P - Sing, Prayer & Praise; NCH - New Century Hymnal

Bold face indicates where the congregation is invited to join in saying the words

Ringing the Bell

***Greeting One Another**

Centering Music

"I Won't Turn Back" Mosie Lister, arr. Joseph Linn
The Whimsical Warblers

Allow the music to help focus your soul for worship as you listen in silence.

***Call to Worship**

Leader: I was glad when they said to me,

People: "Let us go to the house of the LORD!" (Psalm 122:1)

Leader: Do not be conformed to this world,

People: But be transformed by the renewing of your minds. (Romans 12:2)

Leader: Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

**People: Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.
(Hebrews 12:1)**

***Gathering Song** NCH #391 "In the Midst of New Dimensions" NEW DIMENSIONS

Opening Prayer

Silent Reflection

Readings from the Bible

Psalms 15 (p. 609-610 in the OT of your pew Bible)

Luke 6:12-16 (p. 78 in the NT of your pew Bible)

Sung Response

“Spirit of the Living God”

IVERSON

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, Fall a - fresh on me: Spir - it of the liv - ing God,
Fall a - fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, Fill me,
use me, Spir - it of the liv - ing God, Fall a - fresh on me.

Children's Message

“Things That Go Together”

Hannah Hannover

Prayers of the People

You are invited to offer joys and concerns aloud for which the whole congregation will pray. If you have something to share, simply raise your hand and a deacon will bring the microphone to you.

Pastoral Prayer

The minister will offer a series of prayers each followed by “Amen,” concluding with “The Lord’s Prayer.”

The Lord’s Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer comes from Matthew 6:9-13. Here is a traditional translation, which we will all pray together.

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.

Offering of Gifts

"I've Been Changed"
Whimsical Warblers

Mosie Lister

***Sung Response**

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" Lass uns Erfreuen

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise God all crea-tures here be -
low. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the Cre - a - tor, Praise the
Son. Praise, praise the Spir - it, Three in One. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

***Prayer of Dedication**

Spirit of openness and affirmation, we dedicate these gifts to the ministry of love and acceptance in this world. May we ever seek to use all of our resources to create a world and a church where all are welcome and honored, loved and fully known. This we pray in the name of Jesus, who welcomed everyone to his table. Amen.

***Song NCH #172**

"Jesus Calls Us, o'er the Tumult"

GALILEE

Sermon

"Choosing the Twelve"

Jonathan Page

***Closing Song NCH #407**

"How Firm a Foundation"

FOUNDATION

***Sending Blessing**

Parting Music

Today's Worship Leaders

Liturgist: Terry Potter

Preacher: Jonathan Page

Minister to Children & Youth: Hannah Hannover

Music Director: Lesley Lackore

Keyboardist: Karen Stewart

Next Week August 18:

9:30 a.m. Worship

Sermon: "Listening and Doing" Hannah Hannover

Texts: James 1:19-27

Psalm 146

Welcome! We welcome all who worship here today. Whether you are passing through, attending with a friend or relative, searching for a church home, or seeking answers to life's questions, we are glad you are with us today. Please introduce yourself to the minister following the service and stay for refreshments so others in our fellowship may meet you. If you want to know more about our church, please tell the minister or indicate this on our fellowship pads.

In keeping with the life and teaching of Jesus Christ, we joyfully and unconditionally welcome all people of any age, gender, race, culture, ability, sexual orientation, or gender identity into our community of faith and affirm the worth of all people as unique individuals made in God's image. We are open to the special gifts that each person brings and invite each one to participate in the life of our church.

Nursery Care: We welcome children to stay during our worship service...in fact, we enjoy it! However, if you or your child(ren) would like to use our nursery, there are qualified child care providers during worship for infants and children through Kindergarten. Our nursery is located on the second floor on the east side of the church building. A parent or guardian will be required to sign their child in and out. Please feel free to use this service.

Bell Ringing for Peace every Wednesday: Join us at 12:10 p.m. in the UCC bell tower to ring the bell for peace and pray for worldwide peace. The Ames UCC is a just peace church.

To Contact The Reverend Jonathan C. Page:

During regular office hours or at any time, if the matter is not urgent, call the church. Please leave a message if The Reverend Jonathan C. Page is not available. If it is an emergency, don't hesitate to call his cell phone at 203-815-3816.

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