

8 "Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver—  
 let him rescue the one in whom he delights!"  
 9 Yet it was you who took me from the womb;  
 you kept me safe on my mother's breast.  
 10 On you I was cast from my birth,  
 and since my mother bore me you have been my God.  
 11 Do not be far from me,  
 for trouble is near  
 and there is no one to help.  
 12 Many bulls encircle me,  
 strong bulls of Bashan surround me;  
 13 they open wide their mouths at me,  
 like a ravening and roaring lion.  
 14 I am poured out like water,  
 and all my bones are out of joint;  
 my heart is like wax;  
 it is melted within my breast;  
 15 my mouth<sup>a</sup> is dried up like a potsherd,  
 and my tongue sticks to my jaws;  
 you lay me in the dust of death.

Message Dr. Sandra McKee, CLM

"Is It Well with Your Soul?"

❖ Hymn "God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale" (vs1-3-5) #122

Offertory Reflection

❖ Doxology

❖ Prayer of Dedication

❖ Closing Hymn "Amazing Grace" #378

Announcements

❖ Benediction

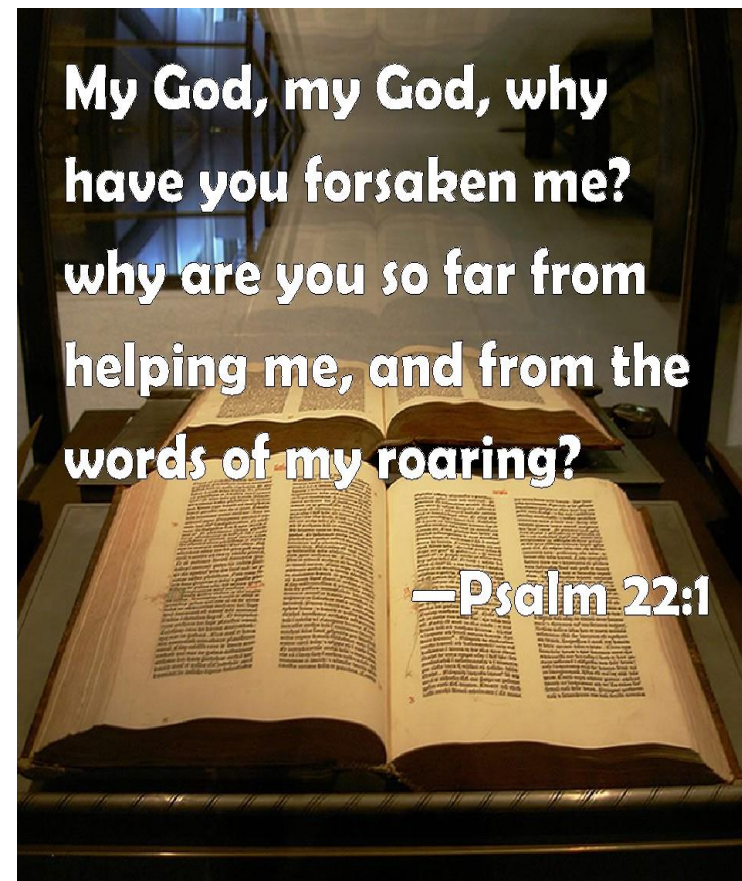
❖ Community Blessing "He Is Lord" #177

Postlude

Dr. Sandra McKee is a retired educator and a lifelong Methodist. She is a Certified Lay Minister in the United Methodist Church and has been serving as a Chaplain in the Pennsylvania State Park system.

Recently, Sandy served as a Mission Ambassador for the Western Pennsylvania Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Sandy lives in Manorville, and she is a member of the Manorville UMC.



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## Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

❖ Congregation please stand, (if you are able)

Greeting

Bonnie Kocon

Prelude

*As the music begins, be silent, be thoughtful, and be reverent, for this is the House of the Lord. Before the service, speak to the Lord. During the service, let the Lord speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.*

❖ Centering Chorus

"Give Thanks"

❖ Call to Worship

O God who is greater than the most powerful forces in this world, enable us to be still and know that You are God.

O Lord who answers out of the whirlwind of everyday life, breathe in us Your Holy Spirit to strengthen, comfort, and guide us in the midst of the storm.

All: O still, small voice, speak to us this hour, that we might become makers of Your peace in our homes, in our communities, in our world. We pray all this in the name of the One who calmed the raging sea.

❖ Hymn "It Is Well with My Soul" #377

❖ Opening Prayer (in unison)

O God, we trust in Your power to create, to sustain, to enable. But we could not trust if we did not know that You are always near. Be with us, Lord, as we are gathered here to worship You. Help us not to check our minds or our hearts at the door, but enable us to bring all that we are to You, so that we might experience Your touch upon all aspects of our life. We pray this because of, and in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. 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 Anthem

"One Step"

Children's Moment "What Is God Like?" Dr. Sandra McKee

Old Testament Lessons

Job 23:1-9, 16-17 and Psalm 22:1-15 (NRSV)

23 Then Job answered:

2 "Today also my complaint is bitter; [a] his [b] hand is heavy despite my groaning.

3 Oh, that I knew where I might find him, that I might come even to his dwelling!

4 I would lay my case before him, and fill my mouth with arguments.

5 I would learn what he would answer me, and understand what he would say to me.

6 Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power? No; but he would give heed to me.

7 There an upright person could reason with him, and I should be acquitted forever by my judge.

8 "If I go forward, he is not there; or backward, I cannot perceive him;

9 on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him; I turn [c] to the right, but I cannot see him.

16 God has made my heart faint; the Almighty [a] has terrified me;

17 If only I could vanish in darkness, and thick darkness would cover my face! [b]

1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me, from the words my groaning?

2 O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest.

3 Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

4 In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.

5 To you they cried, and were saved; in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.

6 But I am a worm, and not human; scorned by others, and despised by the people.

7 All who see me mock at me; they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

### **TODAY, October 10**

9:00 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - In-Church & Livestream Worship Service

### **MONDAY, October 11 ~ OFFICE CLOSED**

6:45 PM - Choir Practice (Fellowship Hall)

### **TUESDAY, October 12**

9:30 AM - Making & Distributing Sandwiches

10:45 AM - Outreach Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

7:00 PM - Trustees Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

7:00 PM - Women's Prayer Group (on ZOOM)

### **WEDNESDAY, October 13**

2:45 PM - Caring Crock Pot Ministry (Fellowship Hall)

### **THURSDAY, October 14**

7:00 PM - Al-Anon Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

### **SUNDAY, October 17 ~ Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost**

9:00 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - In-Church & Livestream Worship Service

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### *Upcoming Events:*

- Outreach will be conducting a "Take-out" Soup & Sandwich Luncheon following the worship service on Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. A full menu will appear in future bulletins. Your patronage will be gratefully appreciated. The proceeds will go toward future Outreach Ministries.