

Astoria First United Methodist Church
October 24, 2021

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

ORDER OF WORSHIP
*(*please stand if you are able)*

GATHERING MUSIC		Kristin Hammond
ANNOUNCEMENTS & SAFE SANCTUARY MOMENT		Mary Frances Gunn
CENTERING MUSIC	<i>“Allegretto” by Beethoven</i>	Kristin Hammond
WORDS OF WELCOME		Jane Hill, D.M. Retired
*CALL TO WORSHIP	<i>(If you are able, please stand)</i>	Sue Hicks
L: Arise, shine for your Light has come		
P: Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus and tell Him we love Him.		
Open our ears, Lord, help us to listen.		
L: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us...Welcome to our worship today		
*UNISON OPENING PRAYER for Courage and Justice		p. 456
SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”</i>	Kristin Hammond
PSALM 34	<i>(Read responsively)</i>	p. 769-770
		Sue Hicks
CALL TO RECONCILIATION		Jane Hill, D.M. Retired

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(based on Job 42:1-6, The Message) **(congregation)** **Sue Hicks**

I'm convinced. You can do anything and everything. Nothing and no one can upset Your plans. You asked, "who is muddying the water, ignorantly confusing the issue, second guessing my purposes? I admit it. I was the one. I babbled on about things far beyond me, made small talk about wonders way over my head. I admit I once lived by rumors of you, now i have it all firsthand--from my own eyes and ears! I'm sorry--forgive me. I'll never do that again, i promise. I'll never again live on crusts of hearsay, crumbs of rumor.

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

(based on Hebrews 7:22-23)

(read by the Pastor)

Jane Hill, D.M. Retired

God gave His word. He won't take it back. Jesus is the permanent priest. This makes Jesus the guarantee of a far better way between us and God. A new covenant.

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR BEST GIFTS TO GOD

Jane Hill, D.M. Retired

***DOXOLOGY**

**Congregation
UMH#95**

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Jane Hill, D.M. Retired

HYMN OF PREPARATION

(all verses)

Congregation

“Open My Eyes That I may See”

UMH#454

(We ask the congregation to please read (or hum) along as the piano plays)

GOSPEL LESSON

“Mark 10:46-52”

Jane Hill, D.M. Retired

SERMON

“Jesus, I Want to See”

Jane Hill, D.M. Retired

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Mary Frances Gunn

PASTORAL PRAYER

Jane Hill, D.M. Retired

LORD'S PRAYER

Jane Hill, D.M. Retired

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom (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 kingdom, (kin-dom), the power, and the glory, forever.
AMEN*

HYMN OF INTENTION

(all verses)

Congregation

“Be Thou My Vision”

UMH#451

(We ask the congregation to please read (or hum) along as the piano plays)

***BENEDICTION**

Jane Hill, D.M. Retired

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Charge Conference with Our District Superintendent will be
Tuesday, October 26th at 6:30 pm at the church.**



**We welcome to our friends from the Warrenton UMC
as they join us for worship.**

**We still need volunteers for liturgist each week.
Please call Sue Hicks or Mary Frances Gunn if you wish to help.
If you want to provide special music – let Mary Frances know.
We now have recordings of the worship services available as a link.**