**Announcements**

Thank you, Guest Speaker, Peter Loveland!

SPRC meeting today at noon.

Charge Conference- October 17th - 2:00 pm at Sodus Third UMC.

**Please remember our military families.**

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**October 4th 2020**

**World Communion Sunday**





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**The Mission of the Sodus United Third Methodist Church is to love, nurture, teach and stir into action all people by God’s love through Jesus Christ with the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**October 4, 2020**

**Prelude:** Panis Angelicus- C. Franck

**Welcome**

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**Bringing in the Light of Christ**

**\*Call to Worship**

L: We are not here because we have found God but because God has found us and called us into this time and place.

**P: Challenging us to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, and to be in service to all of creation.**

L: But God’s call is also God’s promise.

**P: A promise of forgiveness and grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, and eternal life in a realm that has no end. Blessing and honor and glory to God.**

**\*Opening Prayer**

Water is sixty percent of our human bodies and seventy percent of the earth’s surface. It is the most vital source of life. We are so thirsty. Parched. Where do we find each other, and you, God, in the living drink of life? May we touch and drink deeply of the water again, reminding, remembering, re-remembering you, ourselves and the church of Christ. Come to us again, Great Source of Living Water.

**\*Opening Hymn**

*Because He Lives #364*

**Gospel Reading**

**Matthew: 3:13-17**

**Ritual of Remembering**

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, through the sacred act of baptism, we begin the journey of discipleship. We become part of God’s holy work, and we are born again through the water of life and the Spirit of peace and hope. This is God’s gift to us. A gift that comes without cost.

Today, as we remember the story of the baptism of Jesus, we renew the vow taken at our baptism to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.

Pastor: Do you embrace the promise God makes to us to always be faithful and merciful, to show grace beyond measure and forgiveness that never ends?

**People: We do.**

Pastor: Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to seek justice in all times and all places for all people and all creation?

**People: We do.**

Pastor: Do you promise to be faithful and merciful, to love God and Jesus Christ with all your heart and mind and soul and to love your neighbor?

**People: We Do.**

Pastor: Do you as the body of Christ, renew your promise to always be faithful to God and to each other?

**People: We do.**

**Prayer offered by Pastor**

Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Grant that all who are baptized in his name may keep the covenant they have made and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns One God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

**Contemporary Music Video**

**Guest Speaker**

Peter Loveland (introduced by Sandra Hall).

**Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory:** Pastoral Romance- R. Hughes

**\*Doxology**

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**God of all gifts, we bring our gifts to you this day, asking that they be used to help sustain the Sodus United Third Church, and to help the students in Haiti get a formal education. Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Preparation**

*Majesty #176*

**Gospel Reading**

Matthew 22:36-40

This is the Word of God for the People of God.

**Thanks Be to God.**

**Message**

The Greatest Commandment---Pastor Bobbie Valentine

**Holy Communion**

**Closing Hymn**

*Pass it On #572*

**Benediction**

**Postlude:** Let Us Break Bread Together- R. Blake

**Prayers and Praises for the week of September 28th**

**Prayers**

Kathy Wren passed on October 1st, 2020. Our deepest condolences to all who knew and loved Kathy.

**Please continue to pray for**

The Davis Family.

Ted Kearns and family.

Alonzo Davis.

John Faulks and families as he fights cancer.

Beth Bouwens.

Bill and Donna Hontz and family. Bill is suffering with Rheumatoid Arthritis. Donna is concerned about her mom’s sister, Doris, who was recently hospitalized.

All school personnel; administrators, teachers and support staff as another school year begins in the most challenging of times.

All students in Haiti.

Grandparents, parents and students.

Brie and Chris.

The Upper New York Conference, the Finger Lakes Region, and the Sodus United Third Methodist Church. Prayers for our new District Superintendent, Carlos Rosa

Laguer.

All who have been impacted by severe weather.

All those who have been injured or killed by gun violence and social unrest.

Our policemen and policewomen who work toward keeping us safe in legal and righteous ways.

**Praises!**

Richard and Luz Beckwith Adams – recently married- enjoyed a trip to Niagara Falls for their honeymoon!