

# Newtonville United Methodist Church

October 10, 2021

20th Sunday after Pentecost

*We are delighted that you chose to join us for worship this morning! We ask that you please continue to wear your masks while in worship, and to social distance as you need to. We will sing with our masks on, but we ask that you please remain seated while doing so. Hearing assist devices are available—our ushers will be happy to help you with any needs that arise!*

Centering Time: " Somebody's Knockin' "

*(please be in silence as we prepare to worship)*

Welcome and Announcements

We are Called to Worship: (Thom M. Shuman)

We look in the mirror and what do we see?

We see people who try to be faithful, even as questions and struggles challenge our faith.

We look in the mirror and how do we see?

We see with hearts which are open to God's love, with lives which seek to trust when all the evidence tells us not to be so foolish.

We look in the mirror and who do we see?

We see Jesus, the One who struggles with the questions we raise, who models faithfulness for all who would follow.

We Join in Song: Hymn #474 "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

We Prayer Together: (Rebecca J. Kruger Gaudino)

Living God, your way can be hard. How can we give up everything and follow you? We feel so frustrated when we reach out to you and feel only silence. We cling to what we own, fearing the future. Free us from our desire to accumulate more and more. Transform us into generous spirits sharing your gifts with the world. Work within us, that we may know your real presence, even when we feel so little. We cannot do this alone. We need your help. Amen.

We Pray Together:

Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer/Reflection

We Pray Together The Lord's Prayer

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 and ever. Amen.

We Offer Our Gifts

Doxology #94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia, Alleluia...Alleluia.

We Hear the Scripture Reading... Job 23: 1-9, 16-17

We Join in Song: Hymn #2176 "Make Me A Servant"

We Hear the Gospel Reading... Mark 10: 17-31

Children's Time

The Message *Pastor Nick*

We Join in Song: Hymn #2036 "Give Thanks"

Blessing

Go and follow Jesus on the pathway of love.

We will share the good news of mercy and grace. We have courage, and can't wait to see what adventures God has in store for us!

May the blessing of the Holy One give you courage, for with God, nothing is impossible!

Sending Song: "Lord I Want to Be a Christian"

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