

# Welcome to Worship

Rev. Katie Waggoner, Pastor

Order of Worship | September 19th, 2021  
17th Sunday After Pentecost

## Invitation and Gathering

Gathering, Welcome & Announcements:

**\*Opening Hymn: The Old Rugged Cross page 504**

### **Call to Worship:**

L: Happy are those who follow the ways of the Lord.

**P: God's ways are just and merciful.**

L: Those who follow God's ways are continually nourished in faith.

**P: In all that they do, they prosper.**

L: Come, let us open our hearts to God's compassionate love.

**P: Let us celebrate God's mercy and justice. AMEN.**

## Loving the Wider World Through Our Sharing

### **Prayers of the People**

Pastor: "Lord in Your Mercy,"  
Congregational response: **"Hear our prayer."**

### **Pastoral Prayer**

**\*Hymn: Jesus Loves Me page 191**

## Proclamation and Response

**Scripture:** Ephesians 1: 11-14

**Sermon:** Why Am I Here

### **The Offering:**

\*Doxology: Hymn #95

## Sending Forth

**\*Closing Hymn: Standing on the Promises page 374**

### **Benediction:**

Go in confidence and peace, joyfully serving the Lord who walks with you. Bring hope to the hopeless, joy to those who sorrow, peace to the afflicted. Be true witnesses to the love of God through Jesus Christ.

**AMEN.**

*\*Please stand as you are able  
Read in unison words printed in bolded type*

## **Announcements**

CROP Hunger Walk takes place on September 26th at 2pm at the Bellaire United Methodist Church. Join with us as we raise funds to help neighbors near and far get the meals they need for today and sustainable food security for tomorrow!

Coffee Hour will be held on Thursdays at 10am.

The 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month are at Touch of Class in Central Lake.

The 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month are at the Muffin Tin in Alden (or at the church in case of rain).

The 5th Thursday of each month is at M-88 Morning Grind in Bellaire.

Bible Study will take place on Sundays after church. Today we will meet after the post church service chit chat.

## **Mission/Vision Statement**

The mission of the Alden Community United Methodist Church is to CONNECT people to Christ, NURTURE them to spiritual maturity, and PREPARE them to go into the world to bear fruit and to set a Christian Example.

### **We will accomplish this by:**

- Celebrating with heartfelt worship of God
- Pursuing individual Christ-centered growth
- Being a caring community for all
- Using our time, talents, and gifts for God's purpose
- Sharing the Word of God

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