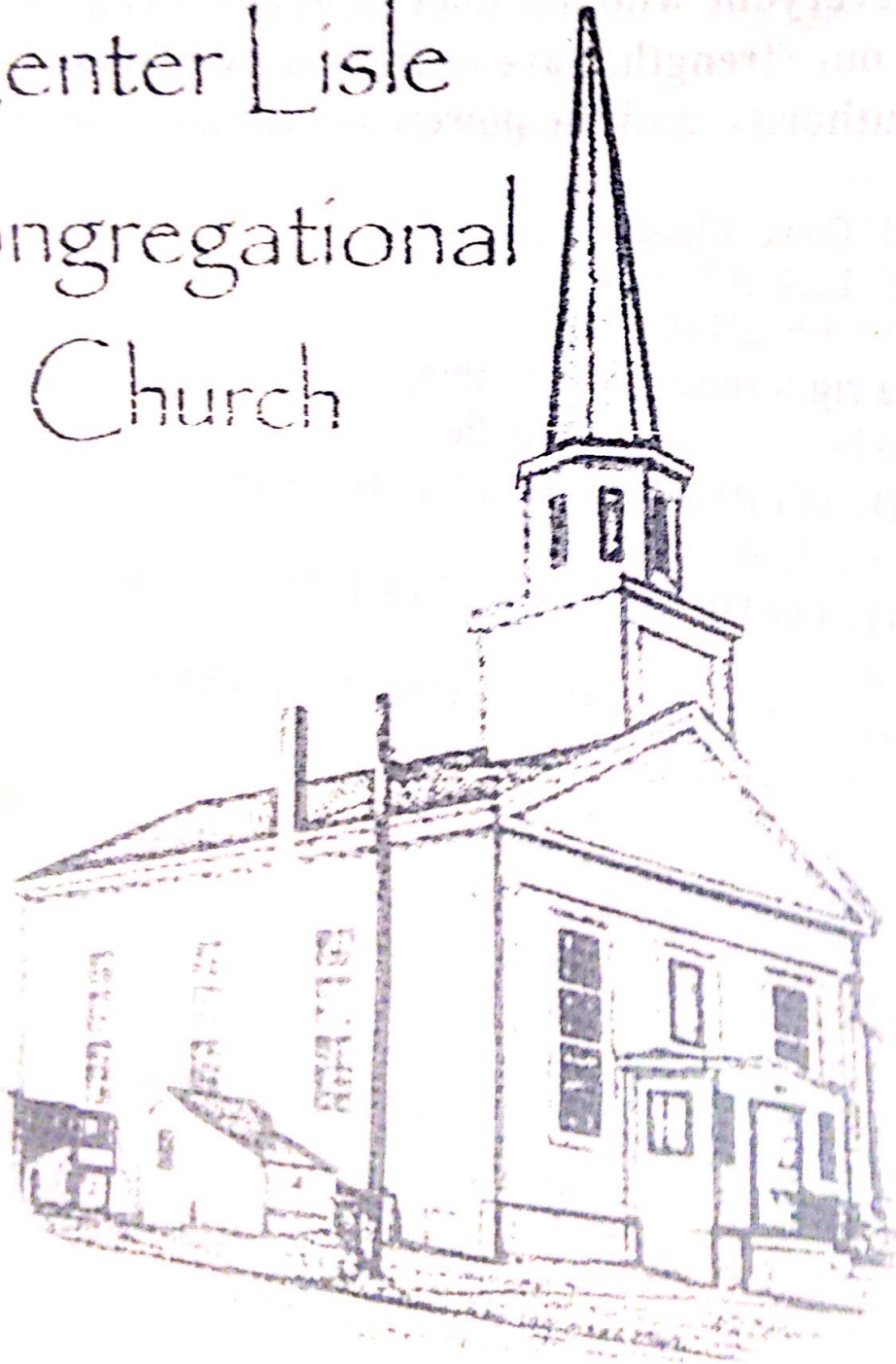


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July 17, 2016

CALL TO WORSHIP

INVOCATION

Our Father, may all men come to respect and to love you. May you rule in every person and in all of life. Give us, day by day, the things of life we need. Forgive us our sins, for we forgive everyone who has done us wrong. Let nothing test us beyond our strength. Save us from our weakness. For yours is the authority, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

HYMN # 60 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

SCRIPTURE Ezekiel 37:1-14

RESPONSIVE READING

There is a right time for everything:

A time to be born; A time to die;

A TIME TO PLANT; A TIME TO HARVEST;

A time to kill; A time to heal;

A TIME TO DESTROY; A TIME TO BUILD;

A time to cry; A time to laugh;

A TIME TO GRIEVE; A TIME TO DANCE;

A time for scattering stones; A time for gathering stones;

A TIME TO HUG; A TIME NOT TO HUG;

A time to find; A time to lose;

A TIME FOR KEEPING; A TIME FOR THROWING AWAY;

A time to tear; A time to repair;

A TIME TO BE QUIET; A TIME TO SPEAK UP;

A time for loving; A time for hating;

A TIME FOR WAR; A TIME FOR PEACE.

So I conclude that, first, there is nothing better for a man to be happy and enjoy himself as long as he can;

AND SECOND, THAT HE SHOULD EAT AND DRINK AND ENJOY THE FRUITS OF HIS LABORS, FOR THESE ARE GIFTS FROM GOD.

GLORIA PATRI
AFFIRMATION

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God as a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING/DOXOLOGY

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Our Father in heaven, we confess that we have often lacked the humility of the publican who went into the temple to pray. We have compared ourselves to other people rather than to the standard of your divine requirements. We have been quick to excuse our faults and explain away our failures. We have found it all too easy to be critical of our neighbors, our fellow church members, and our families. We have, in our disagreements with other people, assumed that we were always right. Lord, be merciful to us, who are sinners. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

LORDS PRAYER

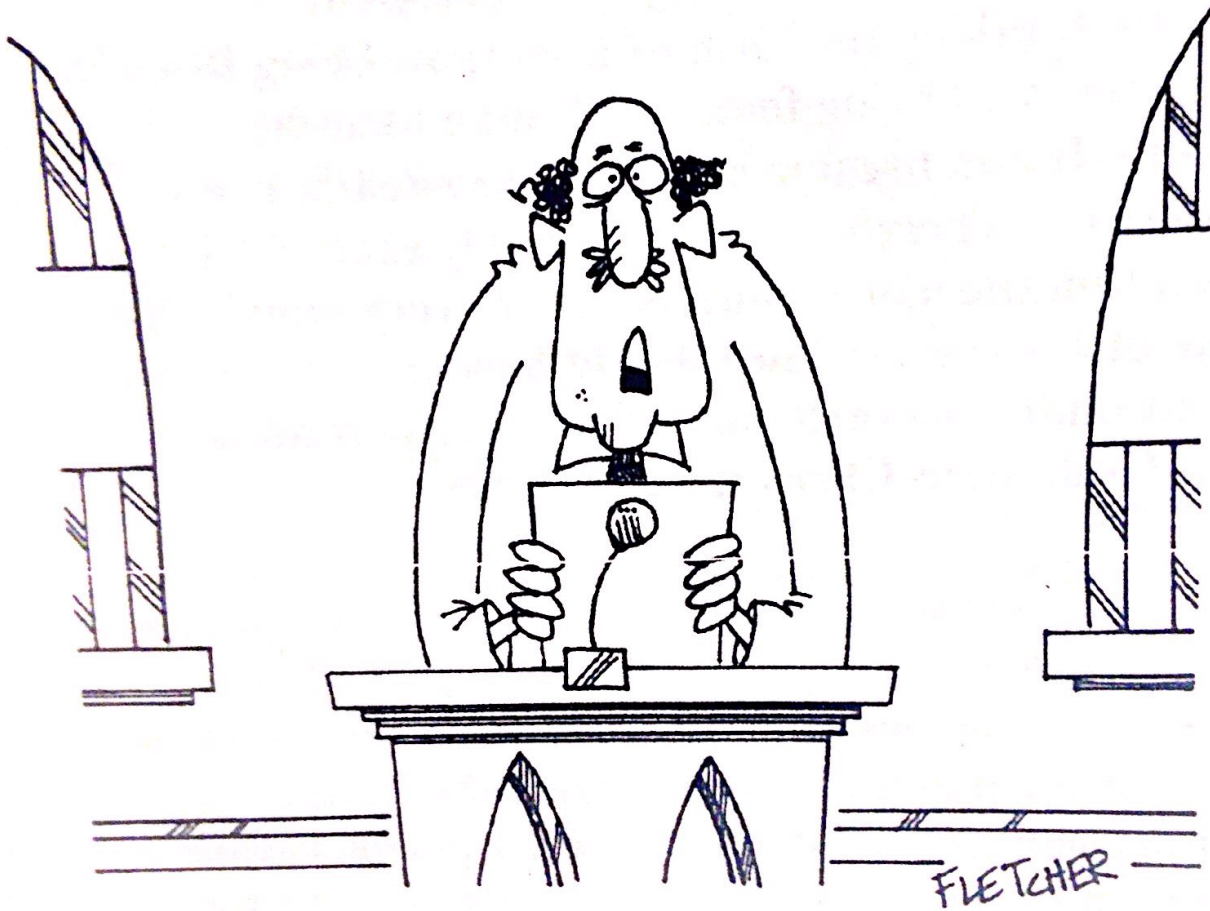
HYMN #417 "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

SERMON

HYMN #401 "When Peace Like a River"

BENEDICTION

FOOD PANTRY: Potatoes



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" ... and the church unity workshop has been postponed until the deacons can agree on the date, time, and color of the participant's name tags."