



*Niccolls Memorial  
Presbyterian Church*

*Sunday Morning Worship*

*Consecration Sunday*

*September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018*

*10:00 am*

*Our Mission*

*To live out Christ's love  
by nurturing spiritual growth and fellowship,  
and by reaching out in faith and love.*

## PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

(based on Psalm 25: 1-5)

To You, O God, we lift up our souls.  
To You we offer our praise and prayer,  
our worship and thanksgiving,  
even our very lives.  
Make Your ways known to us.

Show us the path on which we should walk.  
Lead us in Your truth and teach us.  
For You alone are the God who saves,  
the God in whom we trust;  
and the One on whom we wait. Amen.

### *“The Gathering”*

## WELCOME AND NEWS

### PRELUDE

INTROIT – “*Great Are You, Lord*” #614

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** *Liturgist: Naomi Kelly*

Leader: Come, all who are anxious and burdened.  
This is a time to experience good news.

**People: This is God’s house, and we can meet God here.  
We are brought together in the family of God.**

Leader: Come with expectancy and anticipation.  
God is present to greet you and change your life.

**People: We are here to remember the ministry of Jesus.  
We have come to be equipped for our ministry.**

Leader: In our eager waiting, there is fullness of joy.  
In our preparation for worship, we discover life.

**People: Unless God is the shaper of our lives we live in vain,  
unless we view our city as God’s own,  
there is emptiness here.**

Leader: Let us worship the Living God together.  
Let us open our lives to the One who meets us here!

**\*HYMN** – “*All Creatures of Our God and King*” #15

### **\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

#### **\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O God, our Giver of Life, we confess that we have a hard time putting you first.  
We read the magazine ads and we hear the commercials on T.V.  
We want badly the clothes, the power tools, the blue-ray, DVD players, the big screen televisions.  
We like to give, God, but only when our stomachs are full and our wants fulfilled.  
Forgive us, we pray. Teach us to respond to your love with generosity to the church and to the world.  
Help us to give to you first instead of last. Amen.

## SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Those who truly repent of the sin in their lives are welcomed as next of kin by Jesus Christ.  
The authentic, self-giving spirit of one who was fully human is ours to embrace.  
The witness of a life lived for the common good inspires us to rise up to the best we can be.  
We are forgiven, freed from the weight of sin.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### \*THE PEACE

Leader: As God in Christ has forgiven us, let us forgive one another and pass the peace of Christ to each other.  
The Peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us share the Peace of Christ with one another.  
Greet those around you with: *"The peace of Christ be with you."*

### \*THE GLORIA –

#582

Glory to God, whose goodness Shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.

*"Engaging the Word"*

### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

*Old Testament Reading:* Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17 pg.211

Leader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*New Testament Reading:* Mark 12:38-44 pg.825

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, O Christ**

### MESSAGE – *"The Mighty Mite"*

*by:* Rev. Loril Hawk

### \*HYMN – *"Where Charity and Love Prevail"*

#316

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

## ***“Thanksgiving”***

### **INVITATION TO OFFERING & OFFERTORY**

#### **\*DOXOLOGY –**

#709

God, we honor you. God, we trust in you.  
God, we worship and adore you.  
Take what we bring, offered to you.  
Teach us to show your abundant blessings.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.

#### **\*CONSECRATION PRAYER**

Leader: We dedicate our gifts to you, O God

**People: Help us to use them to glorify you; to be vessels of your work in this world.**

Leader: We dedicate our pledges to you, O God.

**People: Guide our leaders as they prepare us financially for the upcoming year**

Leader: Use us, O God, to do your work in this world.

**People: Encourage us to see that we are all ministers called into the Body of Christ. Use us in our service.**

Leader: We pray over these gifts, blessing them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen**

## ***“Sending”***

#### **\*HYMN – “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”**

#716

#### **\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

#### **\*EXTROIT – (all sing) “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”**

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### **Notes and Announcements**

*Whatever your religious background and however you have come to be here, we welcome you to our fellowship in Niccolls Memorial Presbyterian Church. We hope you feel comfortable and will be strengthened in your walk with God. We invite you to join us for fellowship and sustenance in the Social Room following worship.*

*We begin our worship this day by remembering our baptism. Also, please notice the empty plate (paten) and cup (chalice) on the center of the Communion Table. These symbols speak to us of our hunger for Christ who feeds us at this table.*

**NEW PASTOR** – *We are delighted to welcome Loril Hawk to our church and to the Old Forge community. Rev. Loril formally began Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>.*

**THE DEACON OF THE MONTH** is Tina Yuckel if you or someone you know has a special need; please call her at 315-369-8461.

**PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY** – Praying for others is a blessing and a privilege. If you know of someone who is in need of prayer, please ask if you may share his or her name and need with the prayer chain at Niccolls. If the response is yes, please call Sue Mahoney at 315-390-4025 or Cindy Rose by e-mail at Cindy 41854 [@hotmail.com](mailto:Cindy41854@hotmail.com) to initiate the chain. All information is confidential and is not shared with anyone other than prayer chain members.

**CHURCHES PRAYER CYCLE** – The Presbyterian Church is connectional by design and practice. Every week we lift up in prayer a church or ministry within the Presbytery of Utica. This week we pray for: South Trenton Presbyterian Church.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE** – The Nominating Committee has begun its search for new Elders and Deacons. These terms would begin in October and run for 3 years. Do you feel called to be a caregiver for our church family and beyond into our community? Would you like to suggest the name of someone you feel would be able to fill these roles? If so, please contact Deb Langworthy 315-369-6303, Nancy Venetz 315-369-3575 or Dee Kraft 315-369-6317.

**STAFF OPENING** – We are still looking for a part time Music Director. For inquiries, please call or e-mail the church office.

**WEAVING HOME** – The Weaving Home is having contemplative worship each Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at The Barn in Woodgate for July and August. For more information see Naomi Kelly.

**Calendar of Events September 10 to September 16**

<b>Monday</b>	10am-12pm	Mission Boutique Sorting
<b>Tuesday</b>	5:30pm	Grief Support Group
<b>Wednesday</b>	10am-12pm	Mission Boutique Sorting
	10am-2pm	Senior Activity Program
	7pm-8:30pm	Mission Boutique Open
	7pm-8pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	8pm-9pm	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thursday</b>	1pm	Caregiver Support Group
<b>Friday</b>	10am-12pm	Mission Boutique Open
	7pm-8:30pm	Mission Boutique Open
<b>Saturday</b>	10am-12pm	Mission Boutique Open
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>7:30am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
	9am	Choir Rehearsal
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>

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Listen live online from anywhere in the world at [themoose.net](http://themoose.net)*

**Pastor** – Rev. Loril Hawk

**Pastor Emeritus** – Rev. James L. Ulrich

**Organist/Pianist** – Sue Rundell, Judith Barker, Marie Adams

**Ushers** – Sue Norris, Dee and Chris Kraft