

September 21, 2025



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The Serenity Prayer
Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner

**Gathered at Federated Church: 76 Bell Street
Chagrin Falls, OH 44022**

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Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10 AM

Chimes indicate the service is starting, and silence is appreciated to prepare for worship.

Prelude

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone) (M. Maher/C. Tomlin)

RISE to Shine Band

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner

Introit

Lord, I Need You (Matt Maher)

RISE to Shine Band

*** Call to Worship**

Polly Manke

One: Today we remember that to everything there is a season,

All: and a time for every purpose under heaven.

One: A time to gather and a time to release;

All: a time for joy and a time for sorrow.

One: Yet we can have serenity through it all,

All: for God's Spirit of love is always with us.

*** Unison Prayer**

Polly Manke

God, today we ask you to grant us your peace that passes all understanding through all the changing seasons of life. In the midst of joys and sorrows, in the midst of good times and challenging times, remind us that you are with us, and you are always faithful. Help us not to waste the gift of life by resisting when things are difficult. Help us find your serenity amidst the things we cannot change. We pray in your name. Amen

*** Opening Hymn**

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

No. 557

Message for the Young at Heart

Jannine Mason

* **Passing of Christ's Peace**

(Children through grade 8 are dismissed to Sunday School)

* **Hymn** *Just a Closer Walk with Thee* (refrain only) No. 557

Scripture *Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8, selected verses; Luke 22: 39-42*
Rev. Bagley-Bonner

Sermon Rev. Bagley-Bonner

Hymn *When Peace Like a River* No. 561

Fellowship of Prayer and the Lord's Prayer Polly Mankey

Generosity Impact Moment Robin Harbage and Lena Wright

Invitation to Generosity Robin Harbage

Anthem *No Doubt About It* (We the Kingdom) RISE to Shine Band

Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.**

Prayer of Dedication Rev. Bagley-Bonner

* **Closing Hymn** *My Shepherd You Supply My Need* No. 80

* **Commissioning and Benediction** Rev. Bagley-Bonner

Postlude *Up and Up* (Colton Dixon) RISE to Shine Band



This Sanctuary is equipped with a **Hearing Loop system** that works with all **Telecoil-equipped hearing aids** to amplify sound with excellent clarity.

~ Departing to Service ~

Serenity Prayer

God grant me the serenity
To accept the things I cannot change;
Courage to change the things I can;
And wisdom to know the difference.

Living one day at a time;
Enjoying one moment at a time;
Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace;
Taking, as He did, this sinful world

As it is, not as I would have it;
Trusting that He will make all things right
If I surrender to His Will;
So that I may be reasonably happy in this life

And supremely happy with Him
Forever and ever in the next.
Amen.

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, September 28th, 10 AM

Rev. Judy Bagley Bonner preaches

"The Serenity Prayer, Part 2"