September 28, 2025



The Serenity Prayer, Pt. 2 Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner

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

Also streaming live at YouTube.com/TheFederatedChurch



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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10 AM

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

Prelude

Praise Him, All Ye Little Children (Bonner/Callahan)

Marcia Snavely, organ

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner

Introit

Here We Are (R. Repp)

Federated Children's Choir; Pat Haynish, director and guitar

* Call to Worship

Rev. Susi Kawolics

One: Paul said that God did not give us a spirit of cowardice or timidity,

All: but rather, a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

One: Today we come to look at changing the things we can.

All: Stepping up to call out brokenness and dysfunction even when we are afraid,

One: and even if our voice shakes.

All: God empower us to let go of what we cannot change, but also to change the things we can. Amen

* Unison Prayer

Rev. Kawolics

Gracious God, we know that you have created us in many shapes and sizes and temperaments. We know that we each have differing gifts and we thank you that you call us to go where we are suited. But we also know that you call all of us to stand up and speak when there is brokenness in our personal or collective lives. Help the empowered among us also to have kindness and gentleness and humility. Help the shy and soft-spoken among us to find confidence and a strong voice. Help us all to have the wisdom to know when to let go and accept what is, and when to step up to change what can be changed. We pray in your name. Amen

* Opening Hymn

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

No. 140

^{*} Those who are able stand

Message for the Young at Heart

Maren Koepf

Anthem

Sing, Sing, Sing (D.E. Wagner)

Federated Children's Choir;

Pat Haynish, director; Marcia Snavely, piano

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 Matthew 21:12–15; 2Timothy 1:7

Rev. Kawolics

Sermon Changing the Things We Can

Rev. Bagley-Bonner

Hymn Awake, Awake to Love and Work

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Fellowship of Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Kawolics

Generosity Impact Moment

Rev. Bagley-Bonner

Invitation to Generosity

Rev. Bagley-Bonner

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

Community of Christ

No. 655



* Commissioning and Benediction

Rev. Bagley-Bonner

Postlude

Te Deum (Charpentièr/Linker)

Marcia Snavely, organ

~ 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, October 5th, 10 AM Pastor Vicki McGaw preaches World Communion Sunday