

*Your Friendly  
Community Church*



**September 4, 2022**

*Thirteenth Sunday  
After Pentecost*

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### WE GATHER AT GOD'S INVITATION

**PRELUDE** "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

**WELCOME**

**& ANNOUNCEMENTS** Felecia Boyce

#### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come to us even now, O Lord of Life,

**People: and fill this place with your presence!**

Leader: We praise your name and rejoice in your love,

**People: we stand in utter amazement of who you are!**

Leader: Everyone who calls upon you will find fulfillment.

**People: They will rejoice forever, because you are God!**

Leader: Rejoice and give thanks!

**People: Hallelujah! Amen!**

**\*HYMN**

**UMH #397**

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

#### **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O great Potter, maker of hearts, you shape the vessels of love. Work on your wheel to turn your clay and mold us. Come and speak to us, change our ways, and turn our lives to you. In your holy name we pray. Amen.

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

Diane Horn

### WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

#### **\*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

God of wisdom, by your Spirit speak this day a word of life, and plant in us the power of your righteous love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**\*OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

**OT #311**

I Kings 19:1-10

**SERMON**

"Take Care of Yourself"

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**\*THE NICENE CREED**

**UMH #880**

**PRAYER**

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** Lady Imperio  
"His Life for Mine"

**\*DOXOLOGY** **UMH #95**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**  
**UMH #12**

**WE GO WITH GOD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*HYMN** **UMH #462**  
"'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*AMEN RESPONSE** **UMH #898**

**POSTLUDE** "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

**WELCOME**

We welcome you to our worship service this morning. If you are visiting, please complete a visitor's card located in your pew and place it in the offering plate.

The church office will be closed on Monday, September 5, in honor of Labor Day.

We will participate in the Epworth Annual Work Day Offering next Sunday, September 11.

Pastor Meegian's Bible Study will resume on Wednesday, September 7, at 10 am in the Crossroads Sunday school room. We'll be studying the book of Ephesians.

Fall Revival, "A Hope for Tomorrow," is next week beginning on Sunday, September 11, through Tuesday, September 13, from 7 - 8:30 pm. Our guest speaker will be Rev. Angela Ford Nelson.

It's yard sale time again! The annual sale will be held Friday, September 16, and Saturday, September 17, from 7am - 1 pm.

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, September 4, 4:30 pm: "Becoming a Contagious Christian" (parlor)

Monday, September 5: Labor Day (church office closed)

Wednesday, September 7, 10 am: Pastor's Bible Study

Wednesday, September 7, 5:30 pm: Choir

Thursday, September 8, 6:30 pm: Finance Committee

You are welcomed to attend one of our Sunday School groups each Sunday Morning:

**Crossroads SS Class** meets via Zoom at 9 a.m.  
Contact L.W. Smith for Zoom invite.

**Pathfinder SS Class** meets at 9:45 a.m. in the parlor in the Education Building.

## HEARING INFO

If you would like to use a hearing assistance device, please see an usher for assistance.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please write your prayer requests in the book found on the podium located at the back of the sanctuary before the service begins. Pastor Meegian will receive these requests and lift them up for prayer during worship.

We are excited to have you in our worship service today. We love that the walls of our building do not limit the impact of our ministry and have a wonderful community joining us today virtually. As such, we would like to remind all in attendance that your presence in our worship service indicates your approval that you and all minors you represent being recorded for our digital usage. This includes, but is not limited to, your image, name, and involvements in today's services.