

*Your Friendly
Community Church*



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***World Communion
Sunday***

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER AT GOD'S INVITATION

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rugina Brazell

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord!

People: Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord!

Leader: And the Lord shall lift you up!

People: And the Lord shall lift you up!

***HYMN**

UMH #189

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

***PSALTER**

UMH #799

"Psalm 78:1-4, 9-20, 32b-38a"

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Judi Rose

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM

Lady Imperio

***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Send your spirit, faithful God. Instill in us the mind of Christ. Bind us together in joy and affection, that we may leave looking to the welfare of others. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

***GOSPEL LESSON**

NT #22

Matthew 21: 23-32

SERMON

Rev. Laurie Brandes

"The Yes and No Brothers"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Lady Imperio

***DOXOLOGY**

UMH #95

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

UMH #12

WE GO WITH GOD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN**

UMH #399

"Take My Life, and Let It Be"

***BENEDICTION**

***AMEN RESPONSE**

"Let the Church Say Amen"

***POSTLUDE**

**Please stand as you are able.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

Please join the United Women in Faith (UWF) and the United Methodist Men (UMM) for their monthly meetings on Monday, October 2, at 6:30 pm in the CLC. The speaker for the UWF will be Flo Johnson. A meal will be served at both meetings. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Have you ever wanted to serve in one of our worship services? We have openings for worship leaders, ushers, choir members, children's moments, and readers. Please let Judi Rose or Pastor Laurie know if you have an interest in any of these positions.

Please join us on Tuesday, October 10, at 5:30 pm for our third congregational gathering. A meal will be served at 5:30. At 6:30 we will have a presentation on updated information of the discernment process as well as a discussion on our continued ministries thru 2023. The Leadership Team encourages everyone to participate and be part of planning our future.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday, October 2

6:30 UMM - CLC

6:30 UWF - CLC

Wednesday, October 4

5:45 Choir Practice - Choir Room

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

You are welcomed to attend one of our Sunday School classes:

Crossroads SS Class meets via Zoom at 9am
Contact L.W. Smith for Zoom invite.

Pathfinder SS Class meets at 9:45 am in the
parlor in the Education Building.

Children's SS Class meets at 9:45 am in the
nursery in the Education building.

HEARING DEVICES

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. Your prayers will be lifted up.

2023 FINANCES

2023 Budget = \$229,008.00

Need to Receive Weekly = \$4,404.00

Received for General Budget on 09/24/23=\$1,986.00

Received Year-To-Date (2023) = \$118,149.00

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.