



First United Methodist Church

*Welcome! We're glad that you are here.
To all who need comfort; all who need friendship;
all who are lonely and need companionship;
all who want sheltering love, all who sin
and need a Savior; and whosoever will
—we open wide our doors and say,
“Come; let us worship together.”*

9am Sunday Worship

August 23, 2020

PRELUDE

Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Welcome! It is good to have you here this day.

P: Thank you. We come seeking healing and peace for our spirits.

L: God is with us, giving that wondrous healing love to each one.

P: Blessed be God who watches over us.

L: Come, let us praise God with thankful hearts.

A: Lord, we come to you in gratitude for all you do for us. Amen.

HYMN#127 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” (Insert)

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

We thank you, O Lord, that we are not alone. You watch over us, guide us, and lead us in your righteous pathways. When we stumble and fall, you lift us up and gently place us on that pathway again. When we doubt, you surround us with your mercy and peace, reassuring us of your presence through

the love of others and of our savior Jesus Christ. Keep our hearts and minds open and ready to serve you, for we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.

THE APOSTLE’S CREED (Insert)

SCRIPTURE: Romans 12:1-2 (NRSV)

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-20 (NRSV)

L: This is the word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

HYMN#545 “The Church’s One Foundation” (v. 1-2 only, Insert)

MESSAGE: “The Temple of the Living God”

Pastor Dave

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

(Text Pastor Dave at 244-600-0446)

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER (Insert)

DOXOLOGY # 95 (Insert)

OFFERTORY PRAYER (In Unison)

Generous God, you have given us many gifts and drawn us together into Christ’s body, the church.

You have blessed us with generous and cheerful spirits. May the gifts of our money, time, and talents support the ministry of your church. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

HYMN#2151 “I’m so Glad Jesus Lifted Me/This Little Light of Mine” (Insert)

BENEDICTION

Resist the powers that use people. Hear the cries of the weak. Dare to work for justice. Know that God is our help, will keep us safe, and will bring us new life. We are blessed by God and sent to serve.

POSTLUDE

Vivian Eaton

You can also find our pre-recorded online service on [our Church Website.](#)

In Our Prayers

Suzie Berg, Judy Dunn, Cindy, Vanessa, Emilee Deerer, Sherri Miller, Susan Meyer, Harper Christian, Burt Dauphin, Don Brooks family, Betty Speck, Beth Wickes, Mara Sutton-Roche, Letty Weidmans family (her sister passed), Suzanne Atherton, Ruth Morfey, Charlie White, Big Meadows nursing home.

Our shut-ins: Glen Brunner, John Hamm, Dorothy Taylor, Frank Grove, Paul Brunner, Sylvia Reuterfors, Bill & Letty Weidman.

All students, teachers, and staff returning to their school buildings.

Military Personnel and their families

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthdays and Anniversaries

August

26 Jeff Law, RJ Clemens

28 Sharon F. Guilinger

29 Aiden Weidman, Sharon A. Guilinger

Calendar

Monday, August 24

9am Body & Soul Yoga

1pm Sewing Ladies

12-5 WC Food Pantry

Thursday, August 27

9am Body & Soul Yoga

Sunday, August 30

9am Outdoor Worship

Monday, August 31

9am Body & Soul Yoga

1. We welcome all visitors to our Worship time today. We are glad you're here. Our slogan is Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors. We are the people of the United Methodist Church.
2. Friendly reminder: Rhonda Law you are the counter for next week August 30, 2020. The verifier is Pam Darrow. Thank you!
3. LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE: 65
4. We will continue to worship outdoors for the month of September! We cannot thank you all enough for your support during these difficult and unusual times. If there is anything you need from us, reach out, we are here to serve you!!
5. Harper will be 10 on August 25th. Please consider sending her a card or a small note to brighten her days at St Judes Childrens Hospital. Thanks!!
Harper Christian
1811 Poplar Avenue Apt 317
Memphis, TN 38104-2691
6. Mark your calendars for the Blessing of the Backpacks on Sunday, September 13th during worship. We will also be reaching out to parents in the coming weeks to schedule Sunday School for the kids!
7. Bonnie Davies has volunteered to lead Thursday adult bible study again! More information to follow as she gets herself sorted and ready.



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*“You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart, and with all your soul,
and with all your mind, and with all your strength,
and you shall love your neighbor as yourself.”
--Jesus Christ*

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