

First United Methodist Church
11:00 AM Service of Worship
September 15, 2019

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHERING

Before the Service Begins

Please write your praises or prayer concerns and either give them to the ushers or bring them to the Lay Leader during the Passing of the Peace. Prayer request slips are available in the Registration Pads in each pew and on the table in front of the Church Office.

WELCOME, REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE, ANNOUNCEMENTS.Rev. Melissa Traver

(Please sign and pass the attendance pad down your pew.
Guests: please include your phone number and complete address.)

PRELUDE. "Jesus, Lead Thou On" Chorale Prelude on *Seelenbräutigen* setting by John Blackburn

*CALL TO WORSHIPChris Griffis

Leader: God looks on humankind to see if any are wise.
Who is seeking after God above all else?

People: **We look to Jesus Christ for wisdom and truth;
we reach out to be strengthened for service.**

Leader: The winds of God blow among us to winnow and cleanse.
They sweep through our midst in judgment.

People: **Have mercy on us, O God, and wash away our sin.
Do not let your wrath burn against us.**

Leader: Remember your promises to us, O God.
Create in us clean hearts and renewed spirits.

People: **We seek to know you and to grow in understanding.
Confront us here and light our way out of the void.**

--Gathered By Love, pg.138

*HYMN NO. 89 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Him"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 883. "A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada"

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

**We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

**We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*RESPONSE NO. 70 "Glory Be to the Father"

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO PRAYER "Bless the Lord, O My Soul". H. H. Hopson Chancel Choir

THE MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN NO. 378 "Amazing Grace"

OFFERTORY PRAYER..... Chris Griffis

OFFERTORY "When Jesus Walked on Galilee"..... by Clara Edwards
David Lajeunesse, tenor; Sheila Lane, piano

*PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS NO. 95 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

CHILDREN'S MOMENT..... Ida Cooksey
(Children, Kindergarten and younger, are invited to leave the Sanctuary for age-appropriate learning activities.)

ANTHEM "What God Ordains Is Always Good"..... J. Pachelbel Chancel Choir

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE Matthew 6:11 Rev. Melissa Traver

SERMON Rev. Melissa Traver

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*HYMN NO. 536 "Precious Name"

SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE NO. 672..... "God Be with You till We Meet Again"..... Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE "Praise to the Lord"..... setting by Paul Manz

*PLEASE STAND (AS ABLE)

Bulletin Baskets: are found at the back of the Sanctuary for your convenience to discard your bulletins.

Reminder to parents: Safe Sanctuary Policy - "No child is left unsupervised for any reason at any time."
Parents are encouraged to take their children to the restroom before any worship service begins. If a child needs to go to the restroom during worship, an adult or buddy needs to go with him/her.

Hearing Assistive Devices are available on the back table or ask an usher for help.

Sermon Copies Available: If you need a copy of the sermon due to difficulty hearing during worship, please let Pastor Melissa know. She will have copies available for you on Sunday morning.

Members Who Minister

Senior Pastor: Rev. Melissa Traver

Director of Music Ministries: Yuliia Billa, David LaJeunesse

Children's Director: Ida Cooksey

Organ: Dr. Doug West **Piano:** Sheila Lane, Matthew DeJong

Ushers for September 2019: Eddie Hight, Wheat Kirbo, Beau Hatcher, George Floyd

Greeters for September 15, 2019: 11:00 AM Jack & Joyce Leverett

Acolytes for September 15, 2019: AnnaClaire and Jacob Moore

Traditional Worship Lay Liturgist for September 15, 2019: Chris Griffis

Snack Supper for September 15, 2019: Dameca Fillingame

The Methodist Home for Children & Youth

Today is the annual special offering for The Methodist Home for Children and Youth. The Methodist Home exists as a faith-based organization to provide at-risk youth the security, education, and hope necessary to transition into contributing and productive adult member of society. Besides offering a home for abused, neglected, and abandoned children, The Methodist Home offers services for building family skills and reuniting families through a continuum of specialized treatment programs. Its mission is to seek to restore lost childhoods, strengthen families, and cultivate a people-building organization. Since 1872, the Methodist Home has exemplified this mission, providing a safe haven and impacting the lives of more than 12,000 children from across the State of Georgia.

This church has a history of great generosity to The Methodist Home for Children and Youth. Let's continue this great tradition, not only through our financial gifts but also through our prayers and service!