

Liturgist: Samantha Howlett

Suggested Readings for September 29, 2024:

Psalm 124; Ester 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22; James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50

- In-person Attendance Last Week: 63
- Sunday School Attendance Last Week: 32



Kind words are like
honey—sweet to
the soul and healthy
for the body.

Proverbs 16:24

Beyond the Picket Fence

Ministers: All professing members of Locust Grove GMC

Pastor: Rev. Booker D. Brown, Jr.



The
POWER
of our
WORDS

James 3:1-12

Welcome Guest! We are happy you have chosen to worship with us. We pray that the Lord will touch your heart today and fill you with the truths of God.

Locust Grove Global Methodist Church

Sunday School for all ages, 10:00 AM

Worship, 11:00 AM

Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 22, 2024

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(*Please Stand as You Are Able)

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

* PRAISE SONG

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

*CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsive Reading)

L: Through our good works, kind and encouraging words will gently flow.

P: Bitterness only leads us to tear down rather than build up the Kingdom of God.

L: God seeks peace and hope for all God's people.

P: But when our hearts fill with anger we reject God's mercy and there is no peace or hope.

L: Open our hearts, O Lord, and help us to patiently listen and respond with love.

P: Open our hearts and our lives, O Lord, and prepare us to serve.

L: Lord, help us to truly become your committed disciples.

P: Father, Create in us hearts for ministries of compassion and kindness. Amen.

*OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

Almighty God, be with us this day, helping us to put our priorities in order; so that we may serve you and your people with minds and hearts of love. Let your grace transform our hearts, even amidst the noise of this world, and let us speak to those around us just as you have spoken to us. May kindness spring forth from our tongues, every day, so that you may be glorified. Amen

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Pastor Booker

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Booker

THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Booker

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pastor Booker

SCRIPTURE READING

EPISTLE LESSON (Pg. 1842)

James 3:1-12

GOSPEL LESSON (Pg. 1539)

Mark 9:30-37

SERMON

"A Life in Words"

Pastor Booker

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH,

The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version,

#881, Hymnal

Gloria Patri #70, Hymnal

* CLOSING HYMN

"Spirit Song" #347,

Hymnal

GOING FORTH FOLLOWING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CLOSING PRAYER

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE