Liturgist: Beverly Childress

Suggested Readings for Aug 31, 2025:

Jerimiah 2:4-13; Proverbs 25:6-7; Psalm 112;

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 1-7

•In-person Attendance Last Week: 71

Sunday School Attendance Last Week: 38

Let the separation between you and the world be final and irreversible. Say, 'Here I go for Christ and His Cross, for the faith of the Bible, for the laws of God, for holiness, for trust in Jesus; and never will I go back, come what may. **Charles Spurgeon**

Ministers: All professing members of Locust Grove GMC

Pastor: Rev. Booker D. Brown, Jr.



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 **Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost** August 24, 2025

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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: In the fire and the flames,

P: The Holy Spirit appears to bless and inspire us.

L: In the division and despair of this life,

P: Christ arrives to challenge and invite us into a living relationship.

L: In the shadows and sorrows we face in this life,

P: God walks alongside us to lift us. Let us worship God with a grateful heart. Amen

OPENING PRAYER

Father God, among the trials of life, we come into your midst with praise on our lips and songs of joy in our hearts. We come to stand firm in our conviction that good is stronger than evil and love is stronger than hate. Your truth will ultimately win the day. Keep our hearts focused on things that are worthy of praise and bless us with your peace. Keep our minds grounded in Christ Jesus, that we may know the joy of your justice and your righteousness. Amen

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD'S PEOPLE Pastor Booker

PASTORAL PRAYER Pastor Booker

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895, Hymnal

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

OPENING HYMN "God of Love and God of Power"

#578, Hymnal

CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor Booker

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Pastor Booker

SCRIPTURE READING

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON (Pg. 1182) Jeremiah 23:23-32

GOSPEL LESSON (Pg. 1587) Luke 12:49-56

SERMON "Division & Peace" Pastor Booker

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version, #881, Hymnal Gloria Patri, 70, Hymnal

*CLOSING HYMN "Wonderful Words of Life"

#600, Hymnal

GOING FORTH FOLLOWING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CLOSING PRAYER

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE