**PULPIT SUPPLY -** We would like to welcome Laura Lemley who will lead worship service this morning.

**STATED SESSION MEETING** – Due to session being unable to meet last week, they will meet today in the parlor, immediately after service.

MEN'S GROUP – The Men's group meets on Tuesday each week at 8:00 a.m. upstairs in the church fellowship hall. Please let John McClendon know in advance if you would like breakfast (johnmcclendonsr@yahoo.com). The cost of breakfast is \$8.00.

		THE SESSION	
Class of Mary Kate Sarah M	Beard	Class of 2025 Betsey Adams Mary Lou Griffith Alex Marovich	Class of 2026 John McClendon
	Mar	y Lou Griffith, Clerk of Session  TRUSTEES	1
Bruce (	Galinat	Steve Henderson	Billy Griffith
	M	Iartha McClendon, Treasurer	

# **HOW WE ARE DOING**

\*General Contributions (7/21/2024): \$\) 850.00

Month to Date Giving: \$\) 3,762.00

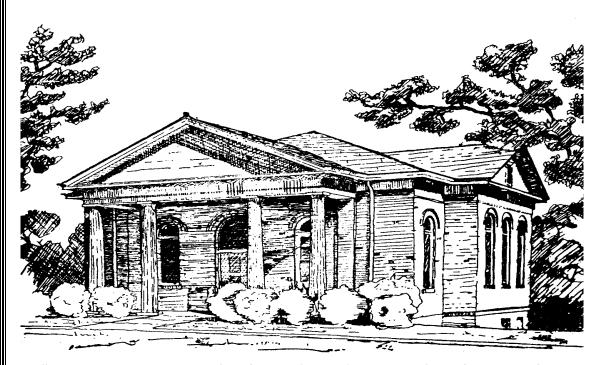
Year to Date Giving: \$\) 42,560.00

Attendance  $\underline{13}$  Online  $\underline{3}$ 

The flowers in the Sanctuary are placed here this morning to the glory of God by *Donna Hopkins*.

# **PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Bruce Galinat, Billy Griffith, Greg Hundley (Will Smith and Mary Kate's friend), Aaron and Denise Johnson, Alex Marovich, Sarah Martin, Billy Rollings, The family of Mary Rutland, Keith Sullivan, Terry Wallace (Mary Lou's brother-in-law).



"Our Mission is to Glorify God, Make Disciples of Jesus Christ, and Meet Human Need."



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# **GATHERING**

PRELUDE Keith Sullivan, Piano/Guitar

SPECIAL MUSIC Choir

Keith Sullivan, Piano/Guitar

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The LORD upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down. **People: The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. You** 

open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing.

Leader: The LORD is just in all his ways and kind in all his doings.

People: The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

#### PRAYER OF ADORATION

\*OPENING HYMN

"Joyful, Joyful, I Adore Thee"

No 1

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord our God, we confess that we are too easily discouraged by difficulties and frightened by what might go wrong. Lord, sometimes we take our eyes off of you and feel that we have to face our temptations and trials alone. We get tired and give in to the lures of this world that will never satisfy. We are focused on ourselves and what we lack instead of on the needs of others and what we might have to offer. Lord, help us to remember that we face every temptation and trial through your mercy and strength. Lord, grant us courage that we might live with our hands open, giving to others out of the abundance we've received from you. Amen.

Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool" (Isaiah 1:18)

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

Please share the peace of Christ with those around you.

# THE WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC Keith Sullivan, Piano/Guitar

**SCRIPTURE READING** 2 Kings 4:42-44, John 6:1-21 Pg. 576, 1655

SERMON "From Scarcity to Abundance" Laura Lemley

# RESPONSE

\*HYMN "God of Grace and God of Glory"

No. 292

# \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The Apostles' Creed"

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; (the church universal) the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY MUSIC** 

Keith Sullivan, Piano/Guitar

#### \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts/debtors)

\*CLOSING HYMN

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

No. 52

## \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

You go nowhere by accident. Wherever you go, God is sending you.

Wherever you are, God has put you there. He has a purpose in your being there.

Christ who dwells within you has something He wants to do through you where you are.

Believe this and go in His love to "glorify God, make disciples of Jesus Christ, and meet human need".

\*POSTLUDE Keith Sullivan, Piano/Guitar

<sup>\*</sup>Those who are able may stand