FRIENDLY REMINDER

Our Sunday service is livestreamed, and microphones pick up sound throughout the sanctuary. Recording begins at least 15 minutes before the service to include announcements.



Prelude

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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

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WELCOME,

ANNOUNCEMENTS,

and

CELEBRATIONS

CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: Come, people of God—bring your longings, your questions, your hope.

People: We come seeking peace, revival, and the presence of the Lord.

CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord has been faithful before, in restoring, forgiving, and renewing.

People: And we believe God is not done with us yet.

CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: So we will ask. We will seek. We will knock.

All:

Lord, teach us to pray. Speak peace to us, your people, as we draw near in worship.

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, You have been our help in ages past. You have been our healer, our restorer, our peace. Today we come with open hands and hopeful hearts, asking again: Teach us to pray.



OPENING PRAYER

Revive us again. When we grow weary, renew us.
When we lose our way, guide us. When we cry out, hear us.



OPENING PRAYER

Let your steadfast love meet us in this place and carry us forward in faith. In the name of Jesus, the one who taught us to ask, seek, and knock. Amen.



WORDS: Horatio G. Spafford, 1873 MUSIC: Philip P. Bliss, 1876 *Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.

WORDS: Horatio G. Spafford, 1873 MUSIC: Philip P. Bliss, 1876

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul), it is well, it is well with my soul.

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Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control, that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.

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My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought! My sin, not in part but the whole, is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more, praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

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And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll; the trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend, even so, it is well with my soul.

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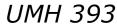
Prayer For Illumination

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.



Sung Response:

The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together.

Leader: ¹Lord, you showed favor to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

People: ²You forgave the iniquity of your people; you pardoned all their sin.

Leader: ³You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.

People: ⁴Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indigniation toward us!

Leader: ⁵Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations? ⁶Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?

People: ⁷Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

Sung Response:

The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together.

Leader: ⁸Let me hear what God will speak, for the Lord will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to the Lord in their hearts.

People: Surely salvation is at hand for those who fear the Lord, that glory may dwell in our land.

Leader: ¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

People: ¹¹Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.

Leader: ¹²The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

People: ¹³Righteousness will go before the Lord, and make God's footsteps a way.

Sung Response:

The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together.

Luke 11: 1 – 13 NRSVUE

¹He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."

² So he said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, may your name be revered as holy.

May your kingdom come.

³Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread,

for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.'

8 I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. 9 "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.

10 For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

11 Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish?

12 Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion?

¹³ If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

The Word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God



Sermon

"When You Knock, Grace Answers"

"Close to Thee" UMH 407

WORDS: Fanny J. Crosby, 1874 MUSIC: Silas J. Vail, 1874 *Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Thou my everlasting portion, more than friend or life to me, all along my pilgrim journey, Savior, let me walk with thee.

Close to thee, close to thee, close to thee, all along my pilgrim journey, Savior, let me walk with thee.

"Close to Thee" UMH 407

WORDS: Fanny J. Crosby, 1874 MUSIC: Silas J. Vail, 1874 *Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Not for ease or worldly pleasure, nor for fame my prayer shall be; gladly will I toil and suffer, only let me walk with thee.

Close to thee, gladly will I toil and suffer, only let me walk with thee.

"Close to Thee" UMH 407

WORDS: Fanny J. Crosby, 1874 MUSIC: Silas J. Vail, 1874 *Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Lead me through the vale of shadows, bear me o'er life's fitful sea; then the gate of life eternal may I enter, Lord, with thee.

Close to thee, close to thee, close to thee, close to thee, then the gate of life eternal may I enter, Lord, with thee.

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I believe in God

the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth;

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And in Jesus Christ

his only Son our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

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the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

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I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



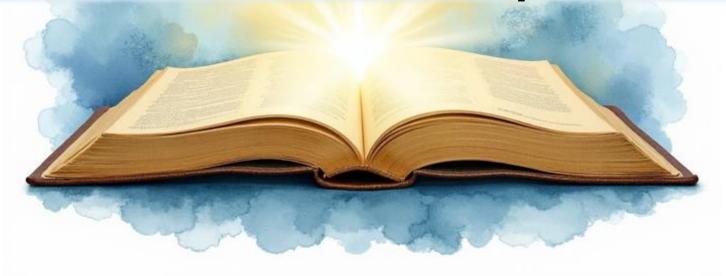
Prayers of the People

Lord,

hear our prayers as we lift up to you, our joys and concerns.



Pastoral Prayer



The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

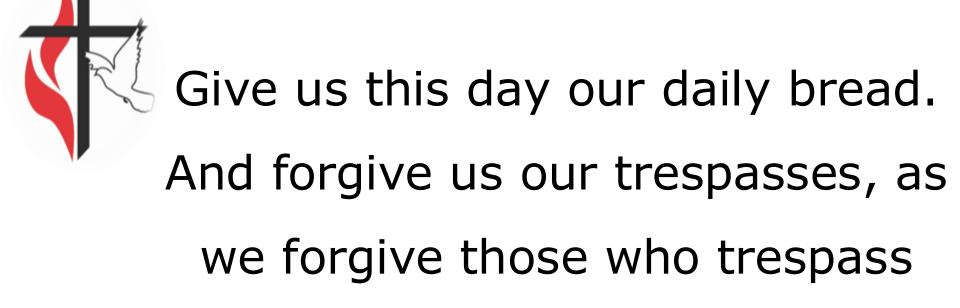


Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.

The Lord's Prayer UMH 895



against us.

The Lord's Prayer UMH 895



And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

Amen

forever.



Tithes and Offerings

Worship through giving



"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674; adapted by Gilbert H. Viera, 1978

MUSIC: Geistliche Kirchengesange, 1623; harmonized by Ralph Vaughn Williams, 1906

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



"We Walk by Faith" TFWS 2196

Words: Henry Alford; Music: Attr. to Hugh Wilson Click to edit Master title style

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

We walk by faith, and not by sight, no gracious words we hear of him who spoke as none e'er spoke, but we believe him near.

We may not touch his hands and side, nor follow where he trod; yet in his promise we rejoice and cry, "My Lord and God!"

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Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound to call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found.

That when our life of faith is done in realms of clearer light we may behold you as you are in full and endless sight.

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BLESSING AND BENEDICTION



This service has ended, and now your service in the world begins!

Rectortown United Methodist Church

Prayer, Action, and Love through Service.