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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Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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WELCOME,

ANNOUNCEMENTS,

and

CELEBRATIONS

Leader: Come, all who have known the depths of sorrow and the heights of joy.

People: We come to praise the One who turns mourning into dancing.

Leader: Come, all who are weary from carrying burdens and walking the

path of grace.

People: We come to bear one another's burdens and walk by the Spirit.

Leader: Lift up your hearts, for God's anger is brief, but His favor lasts a lifetime.

People:

We rejoice in the Lord, whose mercy restores, whose love endures.

All: Let us worship God with grateful hearts, giving glory to the One who makes all things new!

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, You are the lifter of our heads, the healer of our wounds, and the restorer of our souls. We thank You for your mercy that meets us in the valley and raises us to new life.



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As we gather, quiet our distractions, forgive our failings, and fill us with your grace. Teach us to sow seeds of the Spirit, to bear one another's burdens,



OPENING PRAYER

and to rejoice in the grace that carries us through every season. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.



"What A Friend We Have in Jesus" UMH 526

WORDS: Joseph M. Scriven, 1855 MUSIC: Charles C. Converse, 1868 Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus" UMH 526

WORDS: Joseph M. Scriven, 1855 MUSIC: Charles C. Converse, 1868 Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer.

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus" UMH 526

WORDS: Joseph M. Scriven, 1855 MUSIC: Charles C. Converse, 1868 Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer. Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.



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:

For the night weeping may tarry; with the morning light comes joy.

Leader: ¹I will extol you, O Lord, for you have lifted me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

People: ²O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you healed me.

Leader: ³O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol...

People: restored me to life from among those gone down to the pit.

Sung Response:

For the night weeping may tarry; with the morning light comes joy.

Leader: ⁴Sing praises to the Lord, O his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

People: ⁵Surely the Lord's anger is but for a moment; the Lord's favor is for a lifetime.

Leader: Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

People: ⁶As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved."

Leader: ⁷By your favor, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain...

People: you hid your face, I was dismayed.

Sung Response:

For the night weeping may tarry; with the morning light comes joy.

Leader: 8To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication.

People: 9"What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit?

Leader: Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?

People: ¹⁰Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!"

Leader: ¹¹You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and girded me with gladness, ¹²that my soul may praise you and not be silent.

People: O Lord, my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

Sung Response:

For the night weeping may tarry; with the morning light comes joy.



¹My brothers and sisters, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted.

² Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

³ For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves.

⁴ All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride.

⁵ For all must carry their own loads.

⁶ Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow.

⁸ If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh, but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit.

⁹ So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.

10 So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all and especially for those of the family of faith.

¹¹ See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand!

12 It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ.

obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh.

14 May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world.

¹⁵ For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything, but a new creation is everything!

16 As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. The Word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God



Sermon

"New Chapter, Same Grace"

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" UMH 400

WORDS: Robert Robinson, 1758 MUSIC: Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for song of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" UMH 400

WORDS: Robert Robinson, 1758 MUSIC: Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" UMH 400

WORDS: Robert Robinson, 1758 MUSIC: Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

O to grace how great a deptor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

Please continue to stand as you are able and comfortable.

Leader: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.

> Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

People: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

People: We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

People: Forgive us, we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Leader: Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God. Amen



Passing of the Peace



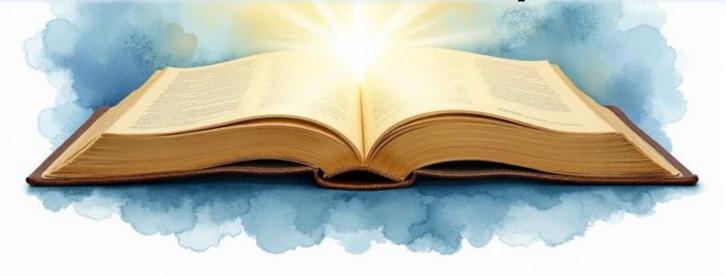
Prayers of the People

Lord,

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



Pastoral Prayer



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!

Offertory Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth...

and so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING TFWS 2257 (sung)

A//: Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Leader: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ... By the baptism of his suffering, death and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

Leader: On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Leader: When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of

Leader: And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

A//: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

Leader: By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Leader: Through your Son Jesus
Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your
holy church, all honor and glory is
yours, almighty Father, now, and
forever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

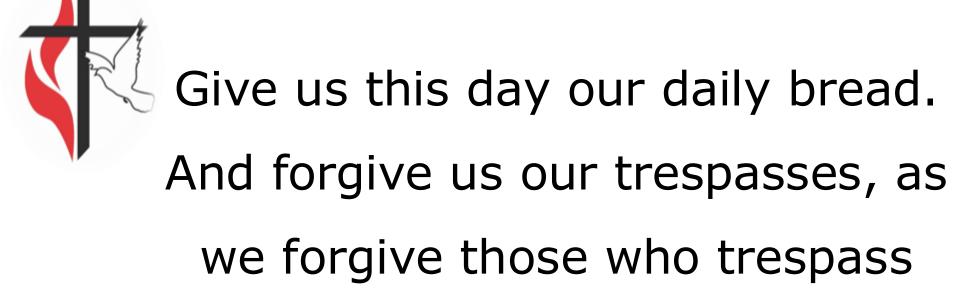


Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

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.

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down; fix in us they humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown! Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast! Let us all in thee inherit; let us find that second rest. Take a way our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be; end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return and never, never more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be. Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee; changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crown before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.



BLESSING AND BENEDICTION



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

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serving God with Prayer, Action, and Love through Service.