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GATHERING/WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Destruction and violence are everywhere; *Hab. 1:3, 4*
strife and contention are all around.

The needs of the world are so great;

O Lord, increase our faith.

Luke 17:5

The law is slack,
and justice does not prevail.

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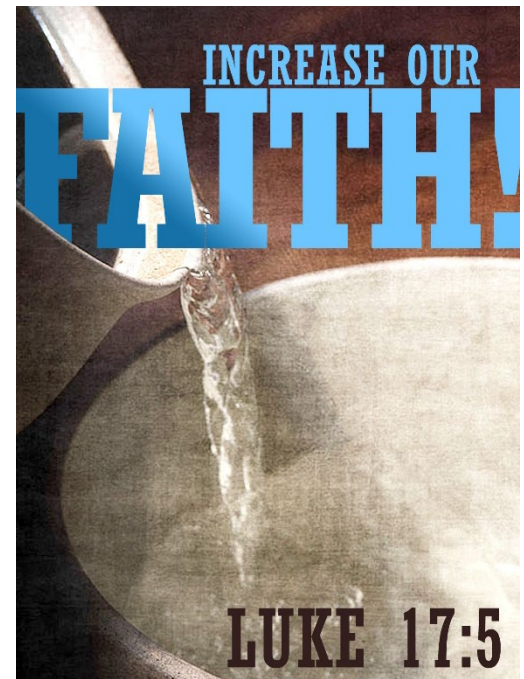
How many threats surround us:
warfare, homelessness, loneliness, loss.

The needs of the world are so great,

but you, O God, are greater still—

the One in whom all things are possible *Luke 1:37*

O Lord, increase our faith in you!



***Song of Praise**

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

UMH #140

1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.	Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!
2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.. [Refrain]	3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

Centering Prayer Song:

“Be Still and Know that I an God”

FWS #2057

1. Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am God.

CONFESSION:

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. 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. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

All pray in silence.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader to people:

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 to leader:

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Leader and people:

Glory to God. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

YOUNG DISCIPLES TIME

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen

SCRIPTURE: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

1:1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, 2 To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. 3 I am grateful to God--whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did--when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. 4 Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. 5 I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. 6 For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, 7 for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. 8 Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, 9 who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Jesus Christ before the ages began, 10 but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. 11 For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, 12 and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard the deposit I have entrusted to him. 13 Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 14 Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

***Song of Preparation:**

“Through it All”

UMH #507

<p>1. Through it all through it all, I've learned to trust in Jesus, I've learned to trust in God; through it all through it all, I've learned to depend upon God's word</p>

SCRIPTURE: Luke 17: 5-10

17:5The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" 6The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. 7"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? 8Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? 9Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? 10So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

Pastor: This is the word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON: “The Prayer to Have Enough Faith to have no Need of Faith”

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY: “He is Exalted”

***SONG OF THANKS: #95 Doxology**

HOLY COMMUNION -The Great Thanksgiving

THE LORD’S PRAYER

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW AND SERVE

***Song of Commitment “Forth in Thy Name, O Lord” UMH #438**

1. Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go, my daily labor to pursue; thee, only thee, resolved to know in all I think or speak or do.	2. The task thy wisdom hath assigned, O let me cheerfully fulfill; in all my works thy presence find, and prove thy good and perfect will.
3. Thee may I set at my right hand, whose eyes mine inmost substance see, and labor on at thy command, and offer all my works to thee.	4. For thee delightfully employ what e'er thy bounteous grace hath given; and run my course with even joy, and closely walk with thee to heaven.

Blessing/Benediction

UMH=United Methodist Hymnal; FWS=The Faith We Sing



Please pray for our members and loved ones who are homebound or residing in nursing homes. Also, please pray for: The Families of..... Rev. Norman Roe, Katherine Gist (wife of Pastor Joe Gist).

..and for the following individuals: Drs. Monte and Rosy Horne request prayers of support as they travel on a Medical Missionary Trip to Honduras. George Eastes, Amy Reardon (CJ Reardon's daughter), Request from Dr. Horne-A young boy, Deymar, from Honduras, will undergo heart surgery in New Orleans on Monday (please pray for him and his mother who is with him), Bert Mahnken, Harold Hoerster, Randy Eastes (undergoing chemotherapy for pancreatic cancer brother to George), Bert Nesloney, Barbara Young, Jerry Bearden, LeiLei Vermulen (chemo treatments), Marty Evans (son of Dennis & Kay Evans), Tami Smith, Aubrey Burrow, Gerry Gamel, Kathy Kerr, Kash (Rodney Flemings 1 yr old grandson), Kerry Graham Rustin, Rick Woerner (Father of Tiffany K.), Joan Whitaker, Shirley Beth Lyles, Lauren Hoerster, Anne Chappell & Terri Reardon, Connar Reardon, Doris Grote, Lorine Metz, Bonnie Woerner (Stepmother of Tiffany Klaerner), the church, the homeless, and all those affected by war and those affected by natural disasters. UM Army coming to Mason FUMC.

Please pray for our members and loved ones who are in the military. U.S. Army: Joseph Alba, T.J. Schovajsa, Britney Schovajsa and Kalyn Bauer, **US Marine Corp:** Hunter Goodwin, **USAF:** Matt Adam **US Navy:** Ferd T. Slocum III & Truman Coe

Announcements

Join us to learn to play Mahjongg! Tuesdays Oct. 7 & 14 in the FUMC Social Hall 5:30-7:30pm. See Deandra and sign up today!



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Giving and Attendance

LAST WEEK'S GIVING.....	\$1,726.00
SEPT. MTD GIVING.....	\$28,462.46
SEPT. BUDGETED INCOME.....	\$31,424.58
SEPT. MTD EXPENSE.....	\$36,098.15
SEPT. BUDGETED EXP.....	\$31,276.00
LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE.....	58

This week's Calendar

Sunday, October 5th ***Prayer Shawl Sunday***

World Communion Sunday

Birthdays: John Pierce

9:45 AM Sunday School for all ages

11:00 AM Worship Service

Monday, October 6th

9:30 AM Prayer Shawl

10:30 AM Senior Exercise Group

Tuesday, October 7th

Birthdays: Laura Tallent

10:30 AM Nurture Committee Meeting

2:40 PM Steady Steps Chapel

5:30 PM Mahjong

Wednesday, October 8th

10:30 AM Senior Exercise Group

6:00 PM Choir Practice

Thursday, October 9th

5:15 PM Nominations Committee Meeting

Friday, October 10th

Birthdays: Johnny Heidelberg & Beverly Grimshaw

10:30 AM Senior Exercise Group

Saturday, October 11th

Sunday, October 12th

9:30 AM Midwinter Bake Sale

9:45 AM Sunday School for all ages

11:00 AM Worship Service

6:00 PM Fields of Faith