

ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 15, 2023
20th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

Prelude Holly Slice, pianist

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

***Hymn of Praise** Take My Life, and Let It Be UMH No. 399

***The Responsive Reading~ Psalm 119: 137-144** UMH No. 843

Righteous are you, O Lord,
and right are your judgements.

**You have appointed your testimonies in righteousness
and in all faithfulness.**

My zeal consumes me,
because my foes forget your words.

**Your promise is well tried,
and your servant loves it.**

I am small and despised,
yet I do not forget your precepts.

**Your righteousness is righteous for ever,
and your law is true.**

Trouble and anguish have come upon me,
but your commandments are my delight.

**Your testimonies are righteous for ever;
give me understanding that I may live.**

***Gloria Patri**

Congregational Prayer and Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.*

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

***Doxology** UMH No. 95

Scripture Lesson John 6: 16-21
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon It Is Getting Rough Rev. Mark Barnes

***Hymn of Dedication** I Need Thee Every Hour UMH No. 397
(VV 1, 3, 5)

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Irish Blessing
**May the road rise to meet you, May the wind blow at your back,
May the sun shine warmly on your face, May the rain fall softly on your
field; And until we meet again, until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.**

*Postlude

* Please stand

The altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God.

Christian sympathies go out to Carol Buddin and family of Steve Buddin who joined the church triumphant on October 11. .

Announcements

“To gather with God's people in united adoration of the Father is as necessary to the Christian life as prayer.” **Martin Luther**

2 Liter Sodas Needed

Children's Ministries needs bottled soda for the Fall Festival. This is for the Drink Toss game, which is our most popular game! Kids toss rings onto the sodas, and whichever bottle it rings they get to keep. Sodas of all sizes and flavors are welcome, from 12oz up to 2-liter. Around 150 sodas are needed to make it a fun and challenging game. Sodas can be dropped off at the table by the Bridges room or by the Welcome Desk downstairs.

Operation Christmas Child

Bethany Global Missions is looking to pack **323** shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. If you would like to make a monetary donation, you can make a check out to Bethany UMC and in memo line please write Global Missions. Please drop off any checks in the Business office. **Individual boxes to fill will be available today at all services.** Filled boxes will be due November 13, and there will be a table by the downstairs Welcome Center with a sign to drop filled boxes off. If you have any questions, please contact Shawn Kahn at 609.319.6271.

Charge Conference

The annual Charge Conference will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 14 at 7 pm in the Sanctuary. Everyone is invited to attend!

Happy Hearts - October 20

The Plantation Singers will be our guest performers at Happy Hearts on Friday, October 20. ***Please note that this is the third Friday instead of the normal fourth Friday, because of the Bethany Gift & Gourmet Market that starts the following week.*** To make your reservation, call Dot by TODAY at 843.343.5450 or email her at dmprevatte@yahoo.com. ALL AGES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

All Saints' Sunday – November 5

Bethany UMC will honor our church family who became Saints this past year. We will recognize their names on Sunday, November 5 during all services. The All Saints' Banner will be in the Narthex each Sunday until All Saints' Day. Please write the names of loved ones you want to be remembered on this special day. If you have a name that you want on the banner and you are not here, you can call or email the office to have it added.

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