

**Welcome and Announcements**  
**Birthdays and Anniversaries**  
**Congregational Greeting**

**\*Invitation**

What decision would change your life forever? Choosing this day to follow God is that decision. What is stopping you?

**\*Call to Worship**

Our ancestors have led us here.

**We are witnesses of their faith.**

The wisdom of the ages has called us here.

**We are children of its call.**

The choice to follow God lies before us.

**We are heirs of its promise.**

The Lord of life has called us here.

**We are here to worship the Lord.**

**Old Testament Reading**

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

**\*Opening Hymn**

*472 – Near to the Heart of God*

**\*Opening Prayer**

**Lord of Life, we come his day  
to follow the ways you set before us.  
Show us the signs of your coming kingdom,  
that we may be worthy of our invitation.  
May we have the wisdom  
to teach our children your ways  
and pass on a better world  
to the generations to come. Amen.**

**\*Affirmation of Faith #881**

**\*Gloria Patri #70**

**Epistle Reading**

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

**Children’s Time**

**Scripture**

Matthew 25:1-13

**Message**

**\*Hymn of Response**

*540 – I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Tithes and Offerings**

We come before you, O God,  
with gifts in your name  
in service of the world.  
We bring you this offering,  
as a symbol of our choice to follow you.  
Receive these gifts of love,  
that they may go forth as your blessing  
and wisdom for the world. Amen.

**\*Doxology #95**

**\*\*Closing Hymn**

*701 – When We All Get to Heaven (v 1, 2 & 4)*

**\*Benediction**

**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.

**UMH #881**  
**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 Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he arose 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.

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

**November 15, 2020 Lectionary Texts**  
Judges 4:1-7; Psalm 123; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11  
Matthew 25:14-30

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*\*Congregation standing, as you are able.*  
*\*\* If you’d like to join this fellowship of the United Methodist Church please come forward during the Closing Hymn*  
*- Benevolence Gifts can be left on alter rail.*