

Order of Morning Worship			Prayer Concerns and Praises		
August 30, 2026		8:30 AM			
Immediately preceding worship there will be a time for sharing community concerns and announcements. Thank you for giving our lay leaders your courteous attention.					
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Barbara Bragg	† HYMN	“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”	UMH 127	Remember ~ Brenda Cannaday Jacque Brown, cousin of Grace Conn Shannon Uhl, Friend of Eric Hulsey Ellen Carter, friend of Rosemary McCrary The Thomas Family (kidney transplant) John Cannaday Ben Majors Twila Carodine Sarah Tucker Kirk Durbin’s wife, Pam Donna Owens David Crouch Casie Darnell, niece of Martha Meeks Tish Cates David Miller Timothy King Katherine Bone Phillip and Patricia Collie, Friends of Cassie Robinson Jeff Vest, Brother of Candy Welch Beth Swanson John and Ruby Walker The Robinson Family Jonathan Carter Jim Jess Justin Clark Dan Adkins, Son of Leo Larkin Jane Gerdeman’s grandson, Dalton
PRELUDE	Jonathan Willis, Piano	OFFERTORY PRAYER			
		GIVING OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS			
† CALL TO WORSHIP	The Faith We Sing 2129	OFFERTORY			
	<i>I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus, No turning back, no turning back.</i>	† DOXOLOGY		UMH 94	
	<i>The cross before me, the world behind me ...</i>		<i>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 up-lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!</i>		Claudia Davis, friend of Wanda Lamb Marisha Pressley and Family Charles Bishop, father of Larry Bishop Richard Patterson Linda Turner April Fitzgerald Ryan Edwards Eric Zimovan’s grandmother, Dorothy Deven Beard Ryder Beard Joanne Lowery Lisa Adkins Joyce Folk Becky Crouch Ogungbe, David and Gracie Crouch’s daughter Mac Rainey, Kim Carter’s cousin Jean Humphrey, Susan Hayes’ mother Wendy Joiner David Fry J. Paul and Linda Miller Becky Aidarodini, Sarah Carter’s mother Tyler Swafford, friend of Heather Douglas and family Glenn Larkin Mike and Linda Kumke Jill McMurtrie Stan Carnegie
	<i>Though none go with me, still I will follow ...</i>				
	<i>I have decided to follow Jesus ...</i>	READING FROM THE GOSPEL		Matthew 16: 21-28	
† OPENING HYMN	UMH 64	ANTHEM	“Give Me Jesus” Jeremy Camp	David Crouch Craig Carodine	
		SERMON	“The Great Divide”	Matthew M. Smith	
† THE APOSTLE’S CREED	Hymnal 881	† HYMN OF INVITATION		UMH 415	Weekly needs ~ Loved ones in Armed Forces: Devon Bachus; Tim Bagwell; Johnnie Bone IV; Johnnie Bone III; John Boswell; Forrest Collier; Houston Curtis; Coleman Grider; Christian Haines; Gean Johnson; Trevor Liles Sam Nelson; Jonathan Perry; Dalton Phillips; Adam Stolz; Cole Temmen; Wesley Yeager
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 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. 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.		† BENEDICTION			
† PASSING OF THE PEACE	The Faith We Sing 2160	† CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (sung by all)			
	<i>Into my heart, into my heart, come into my heart Lord Jesus; Come in today, come in to stay; come into my heart, Lord Jesus.</i>		<i>As we go, may your Spirit go before us. As we go, may we follow where you lead. May we live what we have learned, share the message we have heard, and be a light unto the world as we go.</i>		
	<i>Out of my heart, out of my heart, shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus; Shine out today, shine out alway; shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus.</i>				
READING FROM THE PSALTER	Psalm 105	UMH 828			
PASTORAL PRAYER					
THE 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.				
			† Please, stand as you are able.	~ ~ ~	



WE’RE HAPPY YOU’RE HERE! ~ Please scan the QR Code to sign in OR sign in on the red attendance pads. Thank you for worshiping with us today!

Announcements & Events
at HGUMC



NURSERY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE ~ September 6, 2026
Traditional Service- Peggy Schmoll & Need Volunteer
Contemporary Service- Rhonda Britton & Need Volunteer

Friendly Reminder- the nursery room is a “Shoe Free Zone” and please remember to pick up any trash and put away toys at the end of service. We need additional volunteers to staff the Nursery during Sunday morning services. We are also looking for people to fill in as needed. Contact office@hazelgreen.org for more information.



CONFIRM YOUR RESERVATION...WITH JESUS! ~ It is a long standing tradition of the church to offer and encourage young people of a certain age the opportunity to make a public profession of their faith and baptism--a process called confirmation. The young people (at around the time of 6th grade) experience a period of study (biblical studies, theology, church history, and more), fellowship, service, and an fun outing or two! If you know of a young person at this exciting time in their life, please contact Rev Matthew Smith. The classes will begin on **Sunday September 13th (5:30 PM-6:30 PM)** , though we want to begin planning the rest of the journey now! Confirmation Sunday will be held on All Saints **Sunday, Nov. 1st.**



HGUMC WOMEN'S APPRECIATION LUNCH ~ Women's Appreciation Luncheon – Celebrating God's Provision will be held **Saturday, September 12, 2026, at 1:00 PM.** Join us for a special afternoon of fellowship, special music, and inspiring guest speakers as we celebrate God's faithfulness and provision. There will also be door prizes, gifts, and many blessings! As part of our mission outreach, we will be collecting donations to provide reusable water bottles for the students at Walnut Grove Elementary School. Come join us for a wonderful time of fellowship, encouragement, and giving as we bless others together! For more information, Contact **Mary Ann Smith.**



Charge
Conference

CHARGE CONFERENCE ~ Charge Conference has been scheduled for **September 16th** at 6 PM. More details to follow.



SCAN TO GIVE ~ To make it more convenient and easier. If you'd like to give online please scan this QR Code to go straight to our Tithely.



CELEBRATE RECOVERY ~ Celebrate Recovery will be every Tuesday at 6:30 PM in the Gym.



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COMFORT CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP ~ Normally Meets monthly on the 4th Sunday at 2 PM in the Conference Room. The next meeting is **August 23rd.** For more information, contact **Gracie**



SUPPORT GROUP ~ for widows, widowers and divorcees meets 3rd Thursdays at 11:30 AM in the Conference Room. If you are dealing with grief or feeling a loss, consider joining us for fellowship, discussion. Contact **Diane Daebl**er for more info at (256) 656-8725. Next meeting will be **September 17th.**



KARATE / SELF DEFENSE CLASS ~ Mondays in the gym at 6:30. Join us in the practice traditional Okinawan Martial Art for health and wellness. Low impact , low intensity exercise with intent and purpose. **Classes will restart on Aug 31st.**



KIDS IN ACTION ~ **Volunteers Needed!** Contact the office if you are interested in volunteering.



YOUTH GROUP MEETS ~ Sunday nights from 5:30 - 7:30 PM. All students in 6th-12th grade are welcome. Please contact Cody McCreary for more information.

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Sunday Worship Times 8:30 AM Traditional, 10:30 AM Contemporary
Sunday School Classes for All Ages 9:45 AM

Rev. Matthew Smith, Senior Pastor
Craig Carodine, Contemporary Worship Leader
Marla Jenkins, Director of Traditional Music
Jonathan Willis, Accompanist

Steve Schneider, Organist
Cody McCreary, Director of Youth Ministries
Kelley Hawkins, Office Administrator
Paige Peil, Director of Child Enrichment Center

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Traditional Worship
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