Order of Worship

10th Sunday after Pentecost August 17, 2025

9:00 am

Our service is broadcast live on radio 106.3 FM at 10:42am and is live streamed on YouTube and the Lake Street UMC Facebook page

TFWS Hymns are from "The Faith We Sing" (black) hymnal

Musicians: Edna Sahs, organist;

Hearing Devices are available in the Narthex (north entrance). Please ask an usher for assistance.

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Let us prepare for the Christ light to enter our midst. As it enters, it changes what was ordinary into extraordinary, And what was everyday into sacred. Let us welcome the Christ light into our midst.

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lord, you told us to love God with all our heart, soul and mind.

Holy Spirit, guide us!

Lord, you told us to love and care for our neighbors.

Holy Spirit, teach us!

Lord, you told us to follow you.

Holy Spirit, inspire us!

Lord, in scripture, you told us to run with perseverance the race set before us.

Holy Spirit, train and coach us

*OPENING HYMN #402

"Lord, I want to be a Christian"

CHILDREN'S TIME

A TIME OF PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Traditional text

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.

PRAYER RESPONSE (#596 in 1939 edition of the Methodist hymnal) "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

> **Hear Our Prayer, O Lord, Hear Our Prayer, O Lord, Incline Thine ear to us,** And grant us Thy peace.

SPECIAL MUSIC

A TIME OF PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Hebrews 11:29 - 12:2

God's word for all God's people.

Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION

"The race set before us - Christian, Love, Theosis?"

Lay Speaker: Len Larsen

*HYMN #451

"Be Thou My Vision"

RESPONDING IN GRATITUDE

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

Please complete the Connect Card insert found in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

OFFERTORY

*PRESENTING OUR GIFTS #95 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God from whom all blessing flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost Amen

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, You have given us life and all that we have. May the portion we give back be used to help others as part of our gifts back to You.

Amen.

SENDING FORTH

*FINAL WORD

*HYMN #410

"I Want a Principle Within"

*BENEDICTION

Let us resolve to take the Christ light with us from this place. As it goes, it shines light on the darkness, hope on the shadow of death. Let us bear the light of Christ with us as we go.

POSTLUDE

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"The race set before us - Christian, Love, Theosis?"
Hebrews 12:1

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