



+ Our mission is to be disciples of Jesus Christ; who grow disciples of Jesus Christ +

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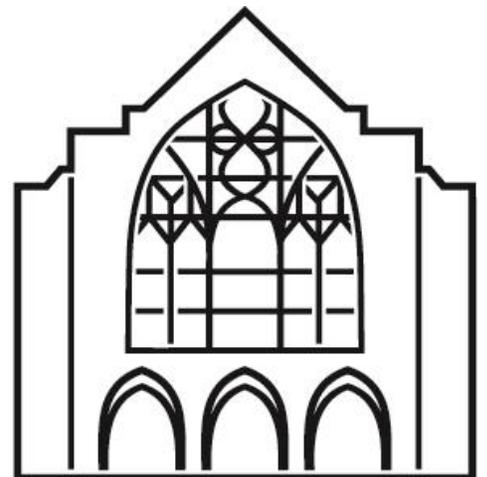
9:00 am Live in Person;

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# CENTENARY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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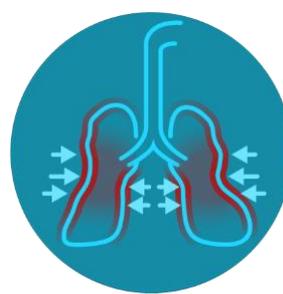
DONOTENTER if you have:



**FEVER**



**COUGH**



**SHORTNESS OF  
BREATH**

## ENTRANCE

### GATHERING

*Thank you for your use of non-contact greetings (that is, refraining from shaking hands and hugging).*

*Please be vigilant to maintain proper distancing throughout our shared worship.*

*Persons living under the same roof may sit together; please establish a 6-foot distance from other worshippers. Thank you for your understanding if you cannot occupy your customary spot.*

*You are invited to wear a mask, and to sing and speak responses softly.*

### PRELUDE

*All Hail the Power*

### CHRISTIAN GREETING

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you.  
**And also with you.**

The risen Christ is with us.  
**Praise the Lord!**

HYMN \*

*Trust and Obey*

When we walk with the Lord in the light of his  
 Not a bur - den we bear, not a sor - row we  
 But we nev - er can prove the de - lights of his  
 Then in fel - low - ship sweet we will sit at his

word, what a glo - ry he sheds on our way! While we  
 share, but our toil he doth rich - ly re - pay; not a  
 love, un - til all on by the al - tar in we the lay; for the  
 feet, or we'll walk on his side in the way; what he

do his good will, he a - bides with us still, and with  
 grief or a he will, loss, for a the frown or he a cross, but is  
 fa - vor we will, shows, do, where he joy sends we will - stows, are for  
 says we will do, where he joy sends we will - go; nev - er

all blest who will trust and o - bey.  
 them if we trust and o - bey.  
 fear, who will trust and o - bey.  
 on - ly trust and o - bey.

Trust and o - bey, for there's no oth - er way to be

hap - py in Je - sus, but to trust and o - bey.

INVITATION AND CONFESSION\*

Christ our Lord invites to gather around his table all those who love him,  
 who earnestly repent of their sins, and seek to live in peace with one another.  
 Let us therefore, confess our sin before God and one another.

**Merciful God;**

**We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have failed to be an obedient Church.**

**We have disregarded your Word and Sacraments.**

**We have not done your will.**

**We have broken your law.**

**We have rebelled against your love.**

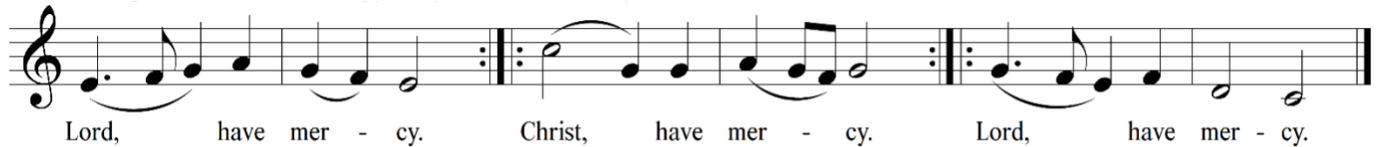
**We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves, and we have not heard the cry of the needy.**

**Forgive us, we pray.**

**Free us for joyful obedience through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*All pray in silence.*

## LORD HAVE MERCY \*



## PARDON \*

Trust in the love of God, for God saves us.  
Though once you were slaves of sin,  
now you have been set free and live in God's grace where sin can have no dominion over you.  
In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

**Glory to God! Amen.**

## GLORY BE TO THE FATHER \*

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the  
Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is  
now and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men. A - men.

## THE PEACE \*

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

*Let us exchange signs of peace and love.*

*While remaining properly distant,  
fold your arms across your chest in the form of a cross  
and as a sign of embrace to those around you.*



## ANTHEM

*Fount of Every Blessing*

# PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

## PRAYER OF 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.**

## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 22:1-14

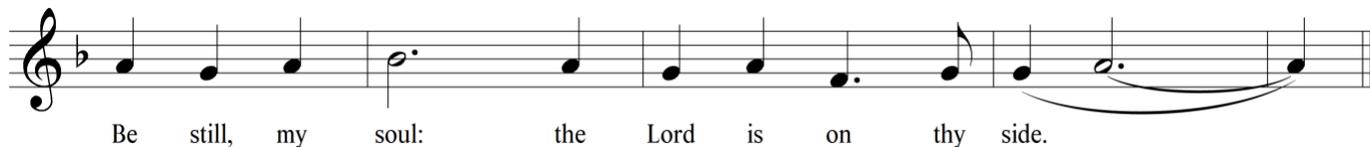
After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, 'Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.' So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, 'Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.' Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, 'Father!' And he said, 'Here I am, my son.' He said, 'The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?' Abraham said, 'God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.' So the two of them walked on together.

When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, 'Abraham, Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.' And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place 'The Lord will provide'; as it is said to this day, 'On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.'

The Word of the Lord.      **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM

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**R**

How long, O Lord? Will you forget me for ever?

**How long will you hide your face from me?**

How long must I bear pain in my soul,  
and have sorrow in my heart all day long?

**How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?**

**R**

Consider and answer me, O Lord my God!

**Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of death,**  
and my enemy will say, 'I have prevailed';  
**my foes will rejoice because I am shaken.**

But I trusted in your steadfast love;  
**my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.**  
 I will sing to the Lord,  
**because he has dealt bountifully with me.**

**R**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.      **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN \*

*Be Still My Soul*

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side. Bear pa - tient - ly the  
 Be still, my soul: your God will un - der - take to guide the fu - ture,  
 Be still, my soul: the hour is has-tening on when we shall be for -

cross of grief or pain; leave to your God to or - der and pro - vide;  
 as in a - ges past. Your hope, your con - fi - dence let no - thing shake;  
 ev - er with the Lord, when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,

in ev - ery change God faith - ful will re - main. Be still, my soul: your  
 all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul: the  
 sor - row for - got, loves's pur - est joys re - stored. Be still, my soul: when

best, your heav - en - ly freind through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.  
 waves and winds still know the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.  
 change and tears are past, all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

‘Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.’

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## SERMON

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH \*

**I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and will come again to judge the living 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.**



## CALL TO PRAYER

*Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song*

1. Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the chal-lenge of her flight, like the  
vig - or of the wind's rush, like the new flame's ea - ger might: Come,  
Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.

## CONCERNS AND PRAYERS

*When you pray, please remember:*

*The needs of the church, especially:*

Our pastor and staff as they continue their ministry during this crisis.

*Those burdened by any kind of difficulty, sickness, or suffering, especially:*

**Our Members:**

David Yarbrough, Jane Richmond, Becky Schertz, Nancy Felder, Martha Lamkin, Bobbie Kenna, Cindy Price, Hannah Nieman, Dean Kebert, Helen Elise McMillan, Cindy Quayle, Terry Thompson, Lamar Murrell, Linda Purtell & Ted Purtell.

**Our Friends:**

The Family of Wilma Faye Pounds, The Family of Delores Smith Bell, The Family of Robby Robizine, Harry Plotner, Virginia Griffin, Catherine Grenn Wilfong, Bud Doherty, Debbie Stovall, Tracy Callahan, Marge Smith, Jimmy Clark, Lock Ross, Patsy Brock, Carla Grenn Allen, Will Jones, Emily Mote, Scott and Debbie Perkins, Richard Coghlan, Julie Wallace.

*The local community, especially:*

Law enforcement officials, first responders, and all medical professionals working to preserve life and stop the pandemic.

*The public authorities and the salvation of the world, especially:*

All those working to slow the current pandemic.

*To request prayer, you can:*

- + email your request to [prayer@centenary-umc.net](mailto:prayer@centenary-umc.net)
- + email our Minister of Discipleship and Visitation at [connie@centenary-umc.net](mailto:connie@centenary-umc.net)
- + text Connie Felter (601-248-1756)
- + leave a message on the Church machine (601-684-6698)

*Persons added to the prayer list will remain for four weeks, after which you may resubmit if desired.*

# THANKSGIVING

## OFFERTORY

*Nearer, My God, to Thee*

*The offering will be received by procession.*

*There are many ways to give:*

- + *You may mail your offerings to PO Box 712, McComb 39649*
- + *You may bring your donation by the Church Office*
- + *You may donate by automatic draft  
(Kathy can help you set this up, call 601-684-6698)*
- + *You may donate electronically  
using your smartphone camera to scan our QR code, or  
by going to our giving page ([app.clovergive.com/app/giving/centenary](http://app.clovergive.com/app/giving/centenary)).  
Electronic givers can charge their donation to a debit or credit card.*



*The Chancel flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in honor of Todd & Carolyn Carlisle in celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
by their children and grandchildren.*

## DOXOLOGY \*

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise Him all crea - tures  
here be - low. Praise Him a - bove, ye heaven - ly hosts. Praise Fa - ther,  
Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

## THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING \*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER \*

*With the words Christ gave us, we boldly pray:*

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.

## SENDING FORTH

HYMN \*

### *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
 Sum - mer and winter and spring - time and har - vest,  
 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,  
 there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
 sun, moon, and stars in their courses and a boye guide,  
 thou changeest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
 strength for all to-day and bright hope for to - mor - row,  
 as thou hast great been, thou forever wilt be.  
 to bless thy things all mine, with ten thousand be love-side!

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see:  
 all I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;  
 Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, un - to me!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

*Please remain in the attitude of prayer as we depart sequentially.*

*Congregants are asked to remain distanced as they leave and remember to refrain from touching.*

*The back rows will exit first, followed by the next row, the next, and so on.*

*Please pay attention as to when it is your turn; and take your Order of Worship with you.*

*The pastor and worship leaders will remain on the bema, exiting last.*

### GOING FORTH AND POSTLUDE

*The Solid Rock*



# WAYS YOU CAN BE IN MINISTRY

**Children's** Sunday school and Wednesday night live activities are still on hiatus – however, some **events are happening** (online and pop-up live), contact Chris Richardson for information (601-810-6591)

Some **Youth activities are happening**, for more info contact Kevin Martin (601-551-0848)

**Bible Study** Live in Person (in the sanctuary) and on Facebook Live Tuesday at 6:30 pm.

Can you **play an instrument or sing a solo** during worship? Let Christopher know your willing (601-810-5030)

To grow as a congregation while maintaining safely distanced crowds we may add even another worship event – contact Dr Speegle and prayerfully share **what you would like to happen in a new service** and how you can support it.



**We need a camera operator and back-up audio visual person** - can you help assist Wendy in the AV booth? Contact Christopher (601-810-5030) or Dr Speegle for more info on how you can be a vital part of our worship team.

These dates are available on **our Flower Calendar**: 7/5, 7/26, 9/6, 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/18, 10/25. Claim your date and text (601-248-1756) or email your memorial designation. You can drop your check for at least \$43.00 in the offering plate, the mail, or choose "flowers" on our giving page.

## Baby Bottle Boomerang

In lieu of collecting coins (which is not "covid-friendly") please make your donation directly to the Crisis Pregnancy Center or through the Church by placing a clearly marked check in the offering plate, in the mail, or choose "Baby Bottle Boomerang" on our giving page.

