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KUMC September Sermon Series

*“Making choices as we journey
to the land of generosity.”*

*Dedicated to Outreach and Growing
in Faith, Fellowship, Witness, & Service
in the Name of Jesus Christ*

KNOWLTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*Please take this time before our worship begins
to center yourself. Please turn off all cell phones.*

PRELUDE OUR LIFE TOGETHER

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

ONE: There are so many directions in which we are being pulled.

ALL: We struggle and hope that we have chosen the right way.

ONE: Some of these paths are falsely enticing and others dangerous.

ALL: How can we know what to do?

ONE: Look to Jesus! He will be your guide and Holy Spirit will guard your life.

ALL: I am going to follow Jesus. He is the example of compassion, healing and hope.

***HYMN**

Praise to the Lord

UMH #139

CALL TO CONFESSION

In worship and at work, in life and in loss, now and in every moment, Christ is among us: loving us, teaching us, and hoping to lead us. But we focus on those needs, on those desires that keep us from recognizing him. Let us confess all that we have done against God and others, as we pray,

UNISON PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

All you ask of us is to love one another, God of our lives, and you are more than willing to teach us how. Yet we find this simple request so hard to carry out, this easy lesson so difficult to learn. Someone cuts us off in traffic, and we curse them. Another buys something we want but cannot afford, and we overflow with jealousy. A friend gets the acclaim we wanted, and we whisper about them behind their backs.

Forgive us, Merciful God, and unclasp our hands from our grudges. With Christ in our midst, we can become the people your dream about: loving, merciful, gentle, and compassionate children of God.

A time of silence as we lift up our prayers to God

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

2, 3, 30, 300 - we have gathered as God's people:

broken, we are made whole;

alone, we are welcomed into a family;

forgiven, we are sent to serve.

God's grace makes us new in every moment. Thanks be to God! Amen.

HYMN

Spirit Song

UMH # 347

SCRIPTURE

Romans 13: 8-14

Pew Bible NT pg

Matthew 18:15-20

Pew Bible NT pg

MESSAGE

Bonnie Simmons, Certified Lay Servant

HYMN

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah UMH #127

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

OFFERING

THE DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*** OFFERING PRAYER**

May our gifts go forth into our world, so that where people hunger, they may be fed; where there is war, peace might be welcomed; where families are broken, they may be made whole. Then others will be as blessed as we have been by your love, grace, and compassion. In Jesus' name, we offer our gifts and this prayer of gratitude. Amen.

***HYMN**

We Are God's People vs 1-3 TFWS #2220

***BENEDICTION**

ONE: Go now to the people who are overwhelmed by despair.

ALL: We will take the hope which has been given to us and share it with all.

ONE: Go now to those who are at odds with neighbors.

ALL: We will offer the peace and reconciliation which God has poured into our lives.

ONE: Go now to those who are the most vulnerable in our world.

ALL: We will bring the healing, the grace, the love of our God.

POSTLUDE

*** Please stand or sit reverently**

KUMC Community Prayers September 10 , 2017

This Week	Week 2
Alice Gouger Nancy Howie Helen Black Carol Catalano Diane For the elimination of hatred and racism Those effected by "Harvey" Those effected by "Irma" Brielle Stephanie Lee Alderton Leigh Linda Rita Justice Bill	Steve The Van Dongen Family Sandy Carol Gabrielle Fenton & family Chris Hank & Carole Ken & Carole Brandon Norwicke Kayla Winkler Dylan Walthour Jim Golding
Week 3	Week 4
Joe Shirley Daniel Answered Prayer Emma Hoernle Jackson Whitmore Diane Leigh Anthony The Race Family Kyle Dalrumple Jon VanDerWal & Vicki Race Marie	Ed Bilyk Broken Relationships Shirley Imhof Kathy & Jim Maureen Bobby & Aliza & Family Anthony DeBuono

SERVERS FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

	Today!	Next Week
Worship	<i>Bonnie Simmons</i>	<i>Pastor Ninabeth</i>
Greeters		<i>Mike Ventura</i>
Ushers		<i>Jill Imhof</i> <i>Donna Ventura</i>
Counters	<i>Bett Redwanski</i>	<i>Helen Truitt</i> <i>Jill Imhof</i>
Fellowship	<i>Cynthia</i>	

September Calendar

TODAY & THIS WEEK

September 13 (Wed) KTES Back to School Night 6-8pm
 September 14-16 (Thur - Sat) Thrift Store 10am – 2pm
 Friday evening 4m – 7 pm

NEXT WEEK AND AFTER

September 18 (Mon) Trustee Meeting 6:30pm
 September 21-23(Thur - Sat) Thrift Store 10am – 2pm
 Friday evening 4pm – 7 pm
 September 28 (Thur) Imagine KUMC 6:30pm

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