# September 29, 2024 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentost 10:30 AM \*Those who are able, please stand

## **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

#### **WELCOME**

We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today. We hope the service will be a blessing to you. This is the Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost and today is the Nineteen Sunday After Pentecost.

MUSICAL PRELUDE: "Blest Be the Dear Uniting Love" UMH 566 Pianist Mavis Baldwin

The Flowers are in Memory of Loretta Mabie given by Robert Mabie & Daughters Bobette and Janine

#### **OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

Free Lunch September 30, 2024 11:00-12:30 PM

Second Session Bible Study in Parlor - September 30, 2024 @ 1:00 PM

October 15, 2024 - Interfaith Tea @ J'town Reformed Church 11:15

Fund Raising Dinner - Bistro-Take Out only Oct 16, 2024

Food Pantry October 21, 2024 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Annual Church Conference October 22, 2025 @ 6:30

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE (In Unison)

God has given to each one of us such blessings and talents. Your spirit of love and confidence gives hope to others. Remember that the Lord is always with you. With joy we bring these gifts to God in our service today. You are blessed by God's absolute love for you. Rejoice in that love and find healing and hope. Thanks be to God for all the mercies shown continually to each one of us.

#### **INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Welcome this day to a celebration of hope and abundance of love.

People: Each day brings new opportunities to serve and caring for others.

Leader: God's glory is pouring forth from the heavens.

People: Earth below receives the good news with great joy.

Leader: The promise is sure and true, that Jesus has come to show us the best

ways to serve God.

People: Lord, help us to use the blessings you have given us to help others

Leader: Today we ask what gifts do we have that can serve God?

People: Let us praise God with joyful hearts for opportunities to serve. Leader: Open our hearts and our spirits this day to receive your guidance.

People: Thanks be to God for the his living spirit and abundant gifts that he has given us. Amen

GATHERING SONG "God of Grace and God of Glory" UMH 577

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (In Unison)

Christ Jesus, we come into your presence today from many different places. You have opened the doors to us for true service. We are encouraged to become involved in ministries of peace and justice. Guide our lives, as we learn more of what you would have us do. The light of God's promise is reflected in your Spirit which rests in each one of us. Lead us in pathways of service and away from trails of fear and anxiety. We thank you every day for your healing love and ask that you open our hearts to receive your healing transforming love that we might serve you more faithfully and share it with others. We ask these things in Jesus' name.

## Time with God's Children:

**SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS** (Prayer request forms are available at the back of the sanctuary)

#### **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.

PRAYER RESPONSE: "Bind us Together" (1st 3 lines only) TFWS 2226

#### **GIVING OF OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS**

<u>OFFERTORY</u> "Have a little Talk with Jesus" The Chancel Choir

<u>DOXOLOGY</u> "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95

#### UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGING

Generous God, you have given us all that we have and all that we are. Today, O Lord, we offer you our sacrifice of time, energy, and love. We thank you for the opportunity to respond to your love and generosity by sharing our gifts with others. Our hearts sing with joy as we work with you to bring true peace and justice to our world. Bless these gifts and those who give them so that, together, we may reflect your love and grace. May they be used to continue the good work in our church, in our community, and in the World. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen

**SONG OF COMMITMENT** "Come and Find the Quiet Center" TFWS 2128

Psalter Reading: (Responsive) Psalm 124 UMH 846

Affirmation of Faith: (Please Stand) A Modern Affirmation UMH 885

GLORIA PATRI (We use this ancient response to praise God for the Bible) UMH 70

SCRIPTURE James 5: 13-20 Mark 9: 38-50

SHARING THE STORY "The Power of Faith" Pastor Joyce Royal

SENDING SONG "O God our Help in Ages Past" UMH 117

#### **SENDING FORTH**

Remember the healing love that has taken place in your life. Be open to all the wonders and opportunities that God puts before you. Go to live as God's people of abundance. Lift your hands and hearts, in the name of the Father, who sustains us, and the Son, who instructs us, and the Spirit, who leads us. Go forth to love and serve the Lord. Share your abundance with others, no matter what it is. Let your light shine for all to see! In Jesus name. Amen

MUSICAL POSTLUDE "Children of the Heavenly Father" UMH 141 Mavis Baldwin Prayer List Calae Bonfey, Logan Rose, Anne Veeder, James Medbury, Family of Linda Holland, Donna Goodell, Jean Hart, Carol Johnson, Steve Miles, Kevin Quaresino, Dave & Stacy Winnie, Family of Art Schrum, Portia Robles, Alison Clun, Family of Andrea Russell, Prayers for her daughter Zoey and Matt Brezovsky, Ivy Patterson, Linda Sammons



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