

July 14, 2024 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 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 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost. Today we are talking about how we can work in unity with God and with others.

The Flowers on the Alter are in memory of Chad Scribner given by Pastor Joyce

Free Lunch July 15, 2022 11:30 - 12:30 PM with North Bush UMC

Food Pantry July 15, 2024 - 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Coalition Youth Day @ Rail Trail park Wed. July 17, 2024-11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Interfaith Picnic @ Sir Wm Johnson Park July 30, 2024

MUSICAL PRELUDE:

“Teach Me Thy Will”

Pianist Serene Wheeler

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (In Unison)

Great news has come to us today. God, who is faithful and just, who cherishes us as we are, seeks restoration and healing for those broken places in our lives, forgives and loves us unconditionally. Receive that good news! Be assured that God is always with you, bringing you encouragement, strength, and peace. Rest and relax in God’s eternal love for you in this time of worship. Trust that you are treasured, now and always. AMEN

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Leader: Throughout the ages, disciples have said, “I will follow you wherever you go.”

People: Lord, give us the freedom to follow you in the ways of love. Teach us that riches are not the most important thing.

Leader: We come from busy homes, filled with little time to consider Christ in our lives. We sometimes forget what is really important.

People: Lord, give us the strength to follow you in the ways of peace.

Leader: In times of struggle, we look to God for help. Let us partake in God’s wondrous gifts.

People: Lord, give us the opportunity to follow you in the ways of kindness.

Leader: Today, we celebrate the Holy Spirit, who shows us the joy of following God. We are reminded that riches are not what are important in our lives.

People: Empower us to proclaim your good news everywhere. Lord, give us the patience to follow you in the ways of faith and to not accumulate riches other

than in your word. Amen.

GATHERING SONG

“Blessed Jesus at thy Word”

UMH 596

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (In Unison)

Lord, today we ask that you open our hearts to receive your surprising message of hope for all people. You draw us here where we will find friendship and peace, as well as hope. Reach out to us this day, stirring our souls and spirits with the winds of your power that we may faithfully be your disciples. Help us to answer Your call whenever it leads us and wherever we are needed. Forgive us when we place monetary things above all else in our daily living. Refresh us today so that we may truly serve you. For we ask this in Jesus’ Name. Amen

Time with God’s Children: Second Sunday Offer/Prayer Shawl Blessings

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

Spirit of the Living God (1st line only)

UMC 393

GIVING OF OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Precious Lord Take My Hand” UMH 474

Chancel Choir

DOXOLOGY

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 95

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Generous God, receive our humble offerings for your work in the world. It is through your mercy that we have this ministry—the ministry of our talents and treasure, the ministry of our passion and purpose. Bless those who give, those

who send, and those who will receive these gifts. Make us people who are unafraid to proclaim your healing mercies. Help these gifts to bring hope and comfort to all those in need. May they be used for the missions of this Church, Our Community and the World. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen

Hymn of Commitment "To God Be the Glory" UMH 98

Special Prayer The Canticle of Remembrance(responsive) UMH 652

Psalter Reading: (Responsive) Psalm 24 UMH 755

Affirmation of Faith: Statement of Faith UC of Canada UMH 883

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

SCRIPTURE Ephesians 1: 3-14

SHARING THE STORY "Praise God for Blessings He has bestowed"

SENDING SONG "Jesus United by Thy Grace" UMH 561

THE SENDING FORTH

You have been given every good gift for proclaiming God's presence and God's love. You have been made ready by God and his mercy. Go forth into the world confident in the gifts that God has given to you to serve in ministries of justice, kindness, prayers and peace. Now go to be a blessing in God's Name. AMEN.

MUSICAL POSTLUDE "Rejoice, the Lord is King" Pianist Serene Wheeler

Prayer List: Mavis Baldwin, Family of Rev David's Sister Lori, Family of Linda Holland, Family of Beverly Parker, Donna Goddel, Jean Hart, Carol Johnson, Steve Miles, Kevin Quaresino, Dave Winnie, Family of Art Schrum, Portia Robles, Alison Clun, Sue Tyler's Niece Emma, Family of Andrea Russell, Prayers for her daughter Zoey and Matt Brezofsky, Ivy Patterson, Linda Sammons, Calae Bonfey, Mary Hayes

If you have a joy or a prayer request or would like to be a part of the Prayer Chain group, please call Carol Johnson at 518-921-9902***

Welcome to Worship

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We Gather to Worship

We Scatter to Serve

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