

The Worship of God

Fayetteville First United Methodist Church
9th SUNDAY After PENTECOST | 11:00 AM | JULY 21, 2024

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

He Hideth My Soul
arr. Harold DeCou

Nicholas Bowden
Director of Music & Organist

INTROIT

Let Heavenly Music Fill This Place
Gordon Young

Summer Choir

*Let heav'nly music fill this place and all the harmonies of heav'n be heard;
Let one grand song of praise resound, one alleluia!
Let mighty organs peal and roll and choirs invisible be heard.
Let anthems grand now thrill my soul, one alleluia!
O may we join the heav'nly choir that through the ages will sing on;
In praise to Father and to Son, one alleluia!*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Drew West
Assistant Minister of Families and Children

*HYMN 545

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Rev. West and **People**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and 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, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

**universal UMH 881*

*GLORIA PATRI

MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. West

*Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:
"The peace of Christ be with you." "And also with you."*

ANTHEM

If I Can Help Somebody
Alma B. Andruzzo

Lily Morgan, Soprano

*If I can help somebody, as I pass along, if I can cheer somebody, with a word or song,
if I can show somebody, he is traveling wrong, then my living shall not be in vain.*

Refrain

*Then my living shall not be in vain, then my living shall not be in vain.
If I can help somebody, as I pass along, then my living shall not be in vain.*

*If I can do my duty, as a good man ought, if I can bring back beauty, to a world up wrought.
If I can spread love's message, as the Master taught, then my living shall not be in vain.* Refrain

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

Rev. West

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. West and People

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 OF ILLUMINATION

Rev. West and People

**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.**

FIRST READING

Mark 6:30-34

Barbara Condon

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

The Rev. Kaylen Short
Senior Minister

OFFERTORY

Many Gifts, One Spirit
Allen Pote

Summer Choir

*Many gifts, one spirit, many songs, one voice.
Many reasons, one promise, many questions, one choice.*

*O, God, we pray for unity, give guidance from above.
In our differences unite us in the circle of your love.*

*O, God, remind us we are not alone.
Though we move on different pathways, we are walking to your throne.*

Help us learn to love each other, show us ways to understand.
We are members of one family, growing strong by joining hands.

O, God, remind us we are not alone.
Though we move on different pathways, we are walking to your throne.
Take our many ways of working, blend the colors of each soul
into the beauty of a rainbow. Give us life, Lord, make us whole.

*DOXOLOGY

OLD 100th

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Short

Children ages 4 years through 2nd grade are invited to attend Wonders of Worship in Room B225.
Children 3rd grade and older are encouraged to stay in the sanctuary for the service.
The nursery is available for infants through 3 years.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 2:11-22

Rev. West

¹¹So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" —a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—
¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Both on the Wrong Side

Rev. Short

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Rev. Short and People

Holy One,
you are ever present and moving among your people,
draw us near to you,
that in place of hostility there may be peace;
in place of loneliness, compassion;
in place of aimlessness, direction;
and in place of separation, healing;
through Christ Jesus, in whom you draw near to us. **Amen.**

***HYMN 431**

Let There Be Peace on Earth

WORLD PEACE

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Short

***CHORAL RESPONSE** *May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless and Keep You Forever*

Choir and **People**
EDELWEISS

***May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever;
grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see His face and His grace forever!
May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.***

***POSTLUDE**

In Thee Is Gladness from *Orgelbuchlein*
Johann Sebastian Bach

Mr. Bowden

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Please remember in your prayers:

Van Askew
Nancy Byers
Richard Clayton
Karen Davis

Robbie Gray
Martha Hale
Tangie Hubbard
Doris Kerlin

Jerry Light
Bettina McDowell
Ron McDowell
Ingrid Shields

Brenda Tierman
Paul Wiley

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