

First Sunday after Pentecost

June 12, 2022

9:30 a.m.

Prelude - Prelude in G - Felix Mendelssohn

Call to Worship

O God, you are my God, I seek you,

As in a dry and weary land,

My soul thirsts for you, my lips will praise you,

Because your steadfast love is better than life.

Opening Hymn No. 116 - The God of Abraham Praise**

The God of Abraham praise,
who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of Everlasting Days,
and God of Love;
Jehovah, great I AM!
by earth and heaven confessed;
I bow and bless the sacred name
forever blest.

The great I AM has sworn;
I on this oath depend.
I shall, on eagle wings upborne,
to heaven ascend.
I shall behold God's face;
I shall God's power adore,
and sing the wonders of God's grace
forevermore.

The heavenly land I see,
with peace and plenty blest;
a land of sacred liberty,
and endless rest.
There milk and honey flow,
and oil and wine abound,
and trees of life forever grow
with mercy crowned.

The God who reigns on high
the great archangels sing,
and "Holy, holy, holy!" cry
"Almighty King!
Who was, and is, the same,
and evermore shall be:
Jehovah, Lord, the great I AM,
we worship thee!"

Invocation (from Psalm 84)

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God. Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than live in the tents of wickedness. Amen.

Psalter - Psalm 19 (Hymnal page 750, Response 1)
(See on page below)

PROCLAMATION

The Word of God is read and proclaimed for all ages

God's Word for Young Disciples

Anthem - Grace Alone - Tom Fettke

Sermon - Sweeter Than Honey

Pastor Jon Priebe

Hymn of Response No. 467 - Trust and Obey

When we walk with the Lord
in the light of his word,
what a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will,
he abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain:

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear,
not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he doth richly repay;
not a grief or a loss,
not a frown or a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey.
(Refrain)

But we never can prove
the delights of his love
until all on the altar we lay;
for the favor he shows,
for the joy he bestows,
are for them who will trust and obey.
(Refrain)

Then in fellowship sweet
we will sit at his feet,
or we'll walk by his side in the way;

what he says we will do,
where he sends we will go;
never fear, only trust and obey.
(Refrain)

Discipleship Moment

Offertory - Psalm 19 (The Heavens Declare the Glory of God) - Marcello

Doxology

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.

Prayers of the People and 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.

SENDING FORTH

The people of God are sent forth to serve others and witness to their faith.

Closing Hymn No. 2052 (FWS)** - The Lone, Wild Bird

The lone, wild bird in lofty flight
is still with you, nor leaves your sight.
And I am yours! I rest in you,
Great Spirit, come, rest in me, too.

The ends of earth are in your hand,
the sea's dark deep and far off land.
And I am yours! I rest in you,
Great Spirit, come, rest in me, too.

Each secret thought is known to you,
the path I walk my whole life through;
my days, my deeds, my hopes, my fears,
my deepest joys, my silent tears.

In secret depths you knit my frame,
before my birth you spoke my name;
within my soul, as close as breath,
so near to me, in life, in death.

O search me, God, my heart reveal,
renew my life, my spirit heal;
for I am yours, I rest in you,
Great Spirit, come, rest in me, too.

Benediction and Choral Response** - (Hymn No. 668)

Let us now depart in Thy peace, blessed Jesus. Send us to our homes with God's love in our hearts. Let no the busy world claim all our loyalties. Keep us ever mindful, dear Lord, of thee. Amen.

Postlude - *Fugue in G* - Felix Mendelssohn



The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the glory of God.

Liturgist: Kim Yoak

Service Music: Summer Choir; Phil Lantry, piano

Music: One License A-731491

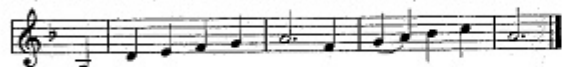
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Psalm 19

Ps. 19/7

RESPONSE 1 (*Lent, Easter & General*) Hebrew melody, from *Sacred Harmony*

The law of God is just, re - viv - ing the soul.

Bar. 3-9

RESPONSE 2 (*General*)

Jane Marshall



Hear the com - mand - ments of life;



give ear, and learn wis - dom.

R

- ¹ The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork.
- ² Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.
- ³ There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;
- ⁴ yet their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.
In them God has set a tent for the sun,
which comes forth like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,
and runs its course with joy like a strong man.
- ⁵ Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
and its circuit to the end of them;
and there is nothing hid from its heat. R

- ⁷ The law of the Lord is perfect,
reviving the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure,
making wise the simple;
- ⁸ the precepts of the Lord are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is pure,
enlightening the eyes;
- ⁹ the fear of the Lord is clean,
enduring for ever;
the ordinances of the Lord are true,
and righteous altogether.
- ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold,
even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey
and drippings of the honeycomb. R
- ¹¹ Moreover by them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.
- ¹² But who can understand one's own errors?
Clear me from hidden faults.
- ¹³ Also keep your servant from the insolent;
let them not have dominion over me!
Then I shall be blameless,
and innocent of great transgression.
- ¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer. R

Next Steps

“Sweeter Than Honey”

vs. 10 – How can God’s law and commandments be sweet?

They may be beneficial for us, but more like medicine than candy

The Law is Perfect

vs. 12 – the structure of the Psalm points us to prayer and relationship with God

“Christianity has not been tried and found wanting; it has been found difficult and left untried.”

· G. K. Chesterton

Questions for Reflection: The Psalmist names the truth that following God’s will, challenging and even painful as it may be, brings us wisdom, joy, enlightenment, and sweetness. What parts of submitting your life to God’s will do you find yourself resisting? Would you pray (or pray again) today to offer God those areas so that you might be freed to joyful obedience?

Questions for Discussion: When have you found the greatest joy in reading and spending time in the Scriptures? Are there parts of the Bible that bring you the greatest joy?

Memory Verse: Psalm 19:14 – “Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.”

Readings for this Week: Psalm 119

CHURCH NOTES

Golf Outing: The Walter "Bud" Mills golf outing will be on Saturday, June 25, at 1:30. Cost is \$75 per golfer, or \$300 per foursome or \$55 for youth golfers. There will be dinner and prizes and a raffle. All proceeds benefit the Epworth Choir Tour. We are still looking for raffle items/baskets and hole or cart sponsors for the outing. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center.

College/Technical School Grads: If you or your child has graduated from a college or technical school please call the church office and let us know their name, school and degree. We will publish the information in the July issue of the newsletter.

Teachers and Children/Youth Helpers: Mandatory Teacher Training and Safe Sanctuary classes have been held and if you are involved in VBS, but were not in attendance, please contact Donna Curfman at dcurfmanfallsumc@gmail.com or Ext. 219 as soon as possible to complete this requirement.

Parent Planning Meeting: Parents of children involved in ROCK activities are invited to a meeting June 22, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss future planning for the fall. Teachers and helpers are also encouraged to attend. Contact Donna Curfman if you have questions.

VBS: All those registered for *Food Truck Party* may pick up their packets on Sunday immediately after the 9:30 a.m. service or Monday morning at 8:30. All children should bring a white t-shirt which they will tie-dye, completed medical forms and payment if it has not been made. The Extreme and Serve programs have needed to make some schedule changes and information is being sent out to give you those details.

Urgent Need! Our blessing box may be somewhat small in size, but it serves our community in a mighty way, and it needs your help! We are almost out of items for filling the box. Please consider donating any of the following items: canned soup/fruit/vegetables, Spaghettio's/ravioli, canned tuna/chicken, ramen noodles, individual cups of mac- n- cheese, oatmeal, dry pasta, spaghetti sauce, granola bars, individual applesauce/fruit cups/pudding cups, juice boxes, travel size personal hygiene items. Items may be left on the donation table located outside the church library.

Altar Guild Needs: Our Altar Guild transfers the Sunday altar flowers into containers to be taken by donors each Sunday. Will you donate your used containers? We need the following sizes: 11.5 oz. coffee containers, 32 oz. plastic containers (such as large yogurt containers), 28 oz. metal cans (such as large tomato cans). Drop them off at the Welcome Center. We are also looking for volunteers to help care for the refilling of candles and transferring flower arrangements into containers after the last service on Sundays (two months a year), changing altar cloths when needed and arranging holiday flowers. If you are interested in being part of our Altar Guild ministry, please call Carol Lewis at 330-923-0234.

Chess Camp: Registrations are being accepted for Chess Camp July 11 -15, 2022 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. daily. Beginners through experienced are eligible to participate in the fun-filled adventure of using your mind. You can learn or improve your chess game and enjoy other activities. Space is limited, so register early. Brochures with application and details are available at the Welcome Center.

Heart4theCity: Can you help our United Methodist local mission church again? You have been very generous in the past and we thank you for all your donations for Heart4theCity. next drive is to bring in new packaged under garments for children thru adults. We will keep this collection going thru the summer (June- August). The collection bin is located near the church office, next to the

library. Drop off anytime. Thanks!

Epworth Summer Camp: 7th - 12th graders are invited to attend this camp which will take place June 26-30. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center or in the church office. The cost for camp is \$100. This year's camp will be at the University of Mt. Union in Alliance. It will be a great time of fellowship, music and fun!

Wesley Camp: Children going into 4th - 6th grades are invited for a weekend of camp August 5 - 7 at Inspiration Hills camp. The Early Bird cost is \$125 (a \$25 deposit must be made before July 3.) After July 3 the cost is \$150. There will be archery, hiking, swimming, canoeing, campfires, a prayer labyrinth, games and more! Registration forms are available online and at the Welcome Center.

Medical Equipment: The church has received donations of medical equipment that are available for borrowing. The equipment varies from time to time depending on what is being used. There are wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, canes, bedside commodes, shower chairs, a cooler that circulates icy, cold water and misc. small equipment like splints. Items have been cleaned and you are expected to clean them before you return them. Contact Mike Ward to find out availability and convenient time for you to pick up items. You may also have items that you would like to donate.

Financial Report:

Church Budget update:

	<u>Compared to Budget</u>			
	<u>Apr.</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>Projected Actual</u>
	<u>2022</u>	<u>4/30/22</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2022</u>
Income	-\$8,367	-\$212981	\$780,918	\$759,620
Operating Expenses	-\$2,916	-\$30	\$835,345	\$835,315
Total Over/Under	-\$11,283	-\$21,268	-\$54,427	-\$75,695

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – PRAYER BULLETIN

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Forrest Waller

HOSPITALIZED:

MEMBERS TO BE REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

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