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

Service Music—Summer Choir, Kristen van Dyke, Violin

Anthem Lyrics—Come Flood This Heart of Mine—David Lantz III

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Music: One License A-731491

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Sunday Worship Service and Live-streaming at 9:30 am.

# **Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

9:30 am August 11, 2024

## **GATHERING**

The people of God come together in the Lord's name.

**Prelude** —3 Short Pieces: Prelude—Samuel Sebastian Wesley

## Call to Worship

We are hungering and thirsting for hope and peace.

Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Our hearts long for the nourishing presence of God.

Open our hearts to joyfully receive your life-sustaining love. AMEN.

**Opening Hymn 64\*\*** — Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

## **Invocation**

Lord, we come to you this day with so many things going on in our lives. Some of these things are wonderful and cause us to rejoice. However, there are far too many things that cause us fear and anxiety. Humbly we wait for your presence with us. We need your healing touch. Strengthen us to do your will, for it is in Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

## **PROCLAMATION**

The Word of God is read and proclaimed for all ages.

Scripture Reading—1 Samuel 3:1-10

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

God's Word for Young Disciples

**Anthem** — Come Flood This Heart of Mine—David Lantz III

Scripture Reading — John 1:35-46

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**Sermon** —"Mottos to Live By"

Will Fenton-Jones

#### **RESPONSE**

The People of God respond to the Word.

**Hymn of Response 170\*\*** —O How I Love Jesus

Offertory —3 Short Pieces: Aria—Samuel Sebastian Wesley

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.

Prayer of the People/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 other and witness to their faith.

**Closing Hymn 2009 FWS\*\*** −O God Beyond All Praising

**Benediction and Choral Response** — (Hymn 668)

Let us now depart in thy peace, blessed Jesus. Send us to our homes with God's love in our hearts. Let not the busy world claim all our loyalties. Keep us ever mindful, dear Lord, of thee.

**Postlude** — 3 Short Pieces: Gavotte—Samuel Sebastian Wesley

## **OPENING HYMN**

Hymn 64 — Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

- 1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
  Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
  Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
  God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
- 2. Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
- 3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love and purity.
- Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
   All thy works shall praise thy name,
   in earth and sky and sea.
   Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
   God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

## **HYMN OF RESPONSE**

Hymn 170 - O How I Love Jesus

1. There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth; it sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth.

## Refrain:

O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
because he first loved me!

- It tells me of a Savior's love, who died to set me free; it tells me of his precious blood, the sinner's perfect plea. (Refrain)
- 3. It tells of one whose loving heart can feel my deepest woe; who in each sorrow bears a part that none can bear below.

  (Refrain)

## **CLOSING HYMN**

FWS 2009 O God Beyond All Praising

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; for we can only wonder at every gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end: we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word, we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring, that we who know your favor may serve you as our king; and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill, we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still: to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways, and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

## **ANTHEM**

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# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - PRAYER BULLETIN

August 11, 2024

## **HOSPITALIZED:**

Lee Minier, Jim Evans and Shirley Asher – Akron General

#### MEMBERS TO BE REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

Scott Adie	Kristopher Lewis
Bob Ahonen	Delphia Lowe
JoAnn Ames	Becky Petty
Debbie Amundsen	Sandi Robinson
Mary Ellen Atwood	Kathi Sawyer
Dorothy Bates	Griffin Tausch
Mark & Cindy Blaser	Karen & Michael Taucher
Mary Griest	Ken Tunstall
Jim Henes	Rose Ann Youngkin
Dwight Konic	

# **DEEPEST SYMPATHY & PRAYERS:**

Nancy Green & family on the death of her husband, member Bob Green on 7/26.

## **NOTES**

## It's a Tea Party!

A "Daughters in Christ" tea party will be held in Wesley Hall on Saturday, September 14, from 2-4pm here at First UMC. We will share in fellowship, stories, activities for ages 4 and up, tea and goodies. Feel free to invite family, friends, neighbors, or co-workers. Feel free to wear tea party attire including hats if you wish. A love offering will be taken to cover expenses, but you need to register by filling out the online form or contacting Valerie Riedthaler 330-620-9132 or Sue Boltz 330-928-8635. The deadline to register is August 31.

# **Summer Offering**

Don't forget to invest in your church this summer! We know everyone is busy travelling and enjoying summer. We ask that you please remember your tithes and offerings even if you're only here in spirit. We want to make sure we're prepared to begin our fall programming. Thank you always for your faithful giving.

## **Choirs Begin Rehearsals**

We are gearing up for a new choir season! Epworth Choir will begin rehearsals on Sunday, August 25 @5:45pm, Epworth Ringers, resume Sunday, September 8@7:00pm, Chancel Choir will begin rehearsals on Thursday, September 5 @7:00pm, and Chancel Ringers will begin on Wednesday, September 4@TBA. (9/1 no Epworth) Contact Dean Wagner for more information. hdwagnerfumc@gmail.com.

# Women's Bible Study

This fall, the women's Bible study will begin "All Things New," by Kelly Minter. In this eight week study, we will explore 2nd Corinthians. There are two options – Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm and Wednesday mornings at 10am. Classes will begin on October 1 and 2 and the cost of the book will be \$20. Please register by calling the church office at 330-923-5241 or email Kathy Kuzas at kuzmom@att.net.

## **Nursery Attendants**

Can you help with infants-age 3? We need volunteers for childcare during the Sunday School hour beginning in September. We just need one Sunday a month committment. Contact Donna Curfman for more information. Thank you! dcurfmanfallsumc@gmail.com

## R.O.C.K. is Moving to Wednesdays!

After much discussion and consideration, we are moving children's music rehearsals and ROCK activities to Wednesday evenings. Please keep this in mind as you schedule your child's fall activities.

Schedule: Bells rehearsal will start at 4:30 p.m.

Bethlehem and Wesley Choir rehearsals will start at 5:00 p.m.

ROCK activities will run from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

(Note: Children will be served a small snack, but there will be no dinner served.)

Activities will include a Bible Story and activities, Crafts, Missions, Knitting, Science and more, TBA. These will vary each week. The complete schedule and special events will be available at the **Parent Meeting on the first night – September 11 at 6:00 p.m.** 

## September 8, Join Us for Rally Sunday!

We will begin our fall worship schedule, Sunday School classes resume, and we'll top it off all with a Potluck after our 10:45am service.

8:30am—Early Worship Service with Communion

9:30am—Parent Meeting (preschool-6th grade in Asbury Hall)

9:30am—Sunday School Classes (children-6th grade meet in the Chapel)

10:45am—Late Worship Service (\*Blessing of the Backpacks, \*\*Bible Presentations)

11:45pm—Potluck on the church lawn (bring a dish to share)