

PRAYER FOR OFFERING OUR LIVES, OUR TITHES, AND OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD:

God of love and power,
we know that we have been called to live and abide in your love and grace.
We know, too, that you trust us to live that word in our daily lives.
Please receive now our gifts, our lives and our loyalty,
and empower us anew to be your servants of love and ministry.
Transform our lives and our offerings, so that we will be disciples of your grace and love.
Abide in us always, O God,
and through our gifts practice your actions of kindness, hope and peace in all the world.
Amen.

GOD'S WORD: 1 Samuel 15:34 – 16:13

(The Liturgist says: "This is the Word of God for ALL people" ... AND ... The People respond: "Thanks BE to God")

TODAY'S MESSAGE: "LOOK FOR WHAT GOD SEES"

GREAT THANKSGIVING (on insert)

SHARING THE LOAF AND CUP
(Ours is an "open" table ... meaning that ALL are welcome to receive the holy elements.)

* *Now Let Us from This Table Rise* # 634 (tune # 408 The Gift of Love)

DISCIPLESHIP CHALLENGE ...

What's in your ~~wallet~~ heart?
How many times have we missed seeing others as God does?
Are we willing to commit ourselves to look beyond the external?
Are we willing to take another look – a God look – at others?

* BENEDICTION

* *Into My Heart* # 2160

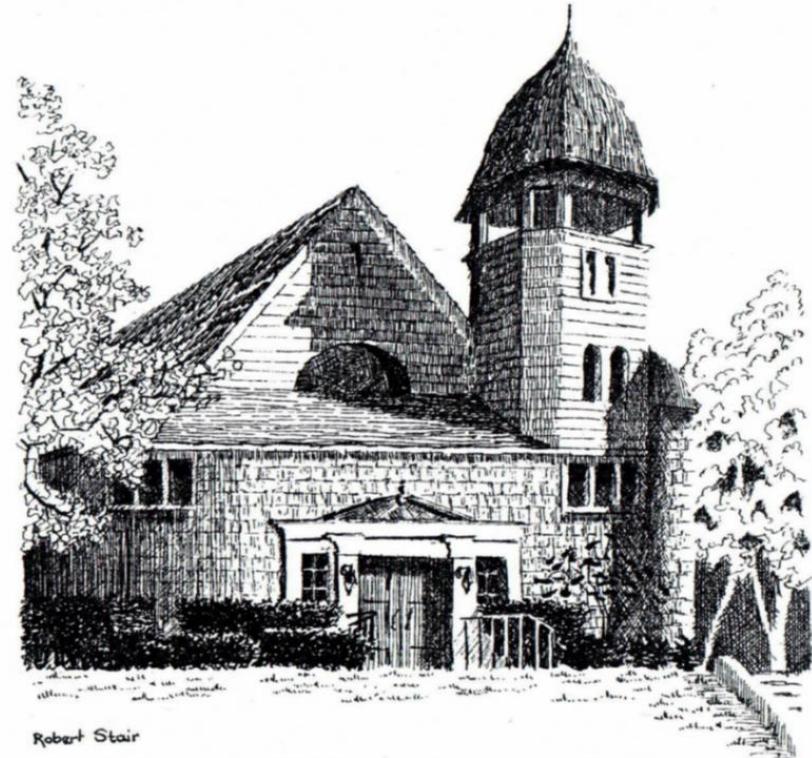
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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

June 13th, 2021

"3rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST"

Liturgical Color – Green



DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

TODAY'S CENTERING VERSE

**"The LORD doesn't see things the way you see them.
People judge by outward appearance,
but the LORD looks at the heart."**

(1 Samuel 7b ... NLT)

* Please stand in stature or in heart as you are able.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRELUDE ...

A TIME TO FOCUS OUR THOUGHTS AND OUR HEARTS ON THE RISEN LIVING LORD JESUS CHRIST

OPENING PAYER:

* CALL TO WORSHIP:

God interrupted Samuel with an unexpected call.

“Here I am, Lord. Send me!”

God surprised Jesse, choosing his youngest son, David, to be king.

“Here I am, Lord. Send me!”

We join with Christ and are a part of God’s new creation.

O Mighty God, we come to join the harvest.

Gather us in, O Holy One, for we would be your people.

Amen.

* *All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name*

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CORPORATE CONFESSION & MOMENTS OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION:

Merciful God, we acknowledge that we are impressed by things that do not matter to you in the least.

Our heads are turned by education, power, pedigree, looks and money.

**We confuse intelligence with wisdom, family name with honor, positions of influence with integrity,
looks with character and money with dignity.**

Generosity, kindness, humility and selflessness are more to your liking,

but we confess that we do not always honor these characteristics.

We push for the awards, the accolades, the praise, the recognition of our peers.

**All the while, Lord, we are full of self-doubt, afraid of being exposed as a phony,
as being less than we pretend to be.**

We live in the shadow of an illusion of our own making, yet we feel powerless to stop the charade.

Forgive us, Lord.

**Heal our brokenness, forgive our stubbornness and pride,
and grant us the mercy to confront our own hypocrisy.
By your grace, renew a right mind and heart within us and restore us to yourself.
Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PARDON

* *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

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* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

Affirmation from Romans 8:35, 37-39

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?

No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us.

We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities,

nor things present, nor things to come,

nor powers, nor height, nor depth,

nor anything else in all creation,

will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Thanks be to God!

AMEN.

TIME OF PRAYER / THE LORD’S PRAYER:

(Ecumenical Text)

Our Father in Heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours

now and forever.

AMEN.

MOMENTS WITH ALL GOD’S CHILDREN