

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

**Glorious God, Your Word confirms that we further your kingdom
when we show kindness and compassion to another person.**

**We pray that Jesus’ life and teaching may be our example
for intentionally sharing our talents, prayers, time, and offerings.**

We humbly give our offering today as an expression of our faith.

Amen.

* *Near to the Heart of God*

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DISCIPLESHIP CHALLENGE ...

Are you spending time alone with the LORD on a regular basis?

If so, what does your “quiet” time with God consist of?

Is it simply one more thing to cross off your “to do” list?

Do you really listen, or do you simply talk at God?

Be still and know that I AM GOD!

- Psalm 46:10

There are 1,440 minutes in a day.

Commit yourself each day to spend at least 15 of them alone with the LORD.

Center yourself and focus only on Christ Jesus.

Rid your mind of everything but Him,
and then LISTEN for God’s Holy Spirit.

Remember your baptism.

Remember whose you are!

* BENEDICTION

* *Freely, Freely*

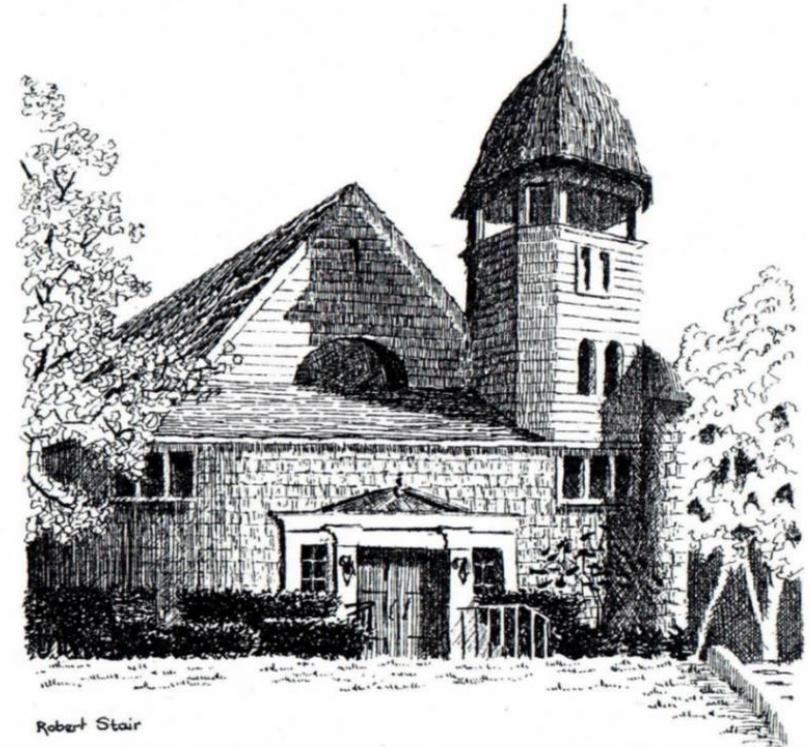
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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

July 25th, 2021

“9th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST”

Liturgical Color – Green



DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

TODAY’S CENTERING VERSE

(Jesus) said to them,

“Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.”

(Mark 6:31b)

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

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRELUDE ... **A TIME TO FOCUS OUR THOUGHTS AND HEARTS ON KING JESUS**

OPENING PAYER:

* CALL TO WORSHIP:

The twelve apostles gathered around Jesus, just like we are now.

"Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place," he said to them, "and get some rest."

On Eagle's Wings (# 143)

Jesus had sent the apostles out with his authority,
and their ministry was much like ours.

And as we know, there was so much coming and going they had no leisure even to eat.

So Jesus took them to a deserted place by themselves,
just as he has brought us to this place, to this sanctuary of quiet peace.

On Eagle's Wings (# 143)

Jesus said to his disciples,

"Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place, and get some rest."

Jesus, we also need your rest.

* *Come and Find the Quiet Center*

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CALL TO CONFESSION

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

Patient God, we wait all year for the summer months when we can rest and relax.

**Our schedules change from the demands of weekly living,
to times which are supposed to be devoted to leisure.**

But we have redefined leisure to mean a flurry of activities.

We need some time to rest, to sit quietly and listen to the beautiful sounds of the world.

Forgive us when we are determined to crowd every moment of our lives with activity.

Help us to find a quiet center with you where we can just relax

and not try to get everything done as though life was some sort of a contest.

Give us peace.

Refresh our souls so that we can truly serve you,

not out of exhaustion but out of enthusiasm.

Be with us this day, for we ask these things in Jesus' Name.

AMEN.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PARDON

MOMENTS WITH ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

TIME OF PRAYER / THE LORD'S PRAYER

(from the ritual of the former Methodist Church)

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.

GOD'S WORD:

Mark 6:30-34

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

"REST WITH JESUS"

* *Baptized in Water*

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CELEBRATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

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