

PRAISES – THANKSGIVINGS – CONCERNS TO LIFT IN PRAYER

Please post your PRAISES – THANKSGIVINGS – CONCERNS on the bulletin board next to the church office door ...

OR ... call, email the church office or drop it in the mailbox.

Please do NOT use last names unless you have permission to do so.

We will gladly list your request in the bulletin for four (4) weeks beginning the next Sunday.

If you wish for us to continue praying for your request, simply let us know after the four weeks are up.

DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

... Our Mission ... Our Community & World Outreach ... Our Leadership Council ... Our Congregation ...

... Our Sister UMC Churches of the Back Mountain ... Our Susquehanna UMC Conference ...

THESE WHO HAVE BEEN NAMED:

Sandy; Keith; (1) ... Clara; George; Rev. Dave Repenning; Pastor Linda Eckersley; (2) ...

Ed; Larry; Annette; Jan; Fred; Tim; Rev. Jim Pall; Pastor Ken Brown; (3) ...

Wayne; Shannon; Bryan; Justin; Patrick; (4)

THOSE IN PERSONAL CARE / REHAB FACILITIES, OR SHUT-IN AT HOME ...

Sharon Miers; Elizabeth Covert; June Houser; Eleanor Fleming; Ruby Fulkersin; Hazel Garris;

Larna Hoyt; Tamara Hoyt; Jane Kaminski; Eula Lewis; Ann Lynch; Evelyn Weaver; Rev. Jim Wert;

THE FAMILIES & LOVED ONES OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY

Betty Parks; (1) ... Leonard Cook; (3)

THOSE STRUGGLING / DEALING WITH

Physical & Mental Health Issues ... Addictions

THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY AND WHO HAVE DIED DUE TO ...

... Lack of Food and Clean Water ... Preventable Diseases ... Covid19 Pandemic ...

... Natural Disasters ... Wars, Terrorism, & Other Acts of Violence – specifically those being targeted because of their ethnicity, or their gender, or their skin color, or their faith.

THOSE STRUGGLING / DEALING WITH THESE ISSUES & CHALLENGES...

Education ... Finances ... Employment ... Relationships ... Being in Prison ... Being Released from Prison

OUR NATION

Volunteers ... Health Care Workers ... First Responders ... Leaders at All Levels ... Armed Forces Personnel

OTHER NATIONS AND LEADERS OF THE WORLD

Including Our Enemies & Those We Simply Disagree With

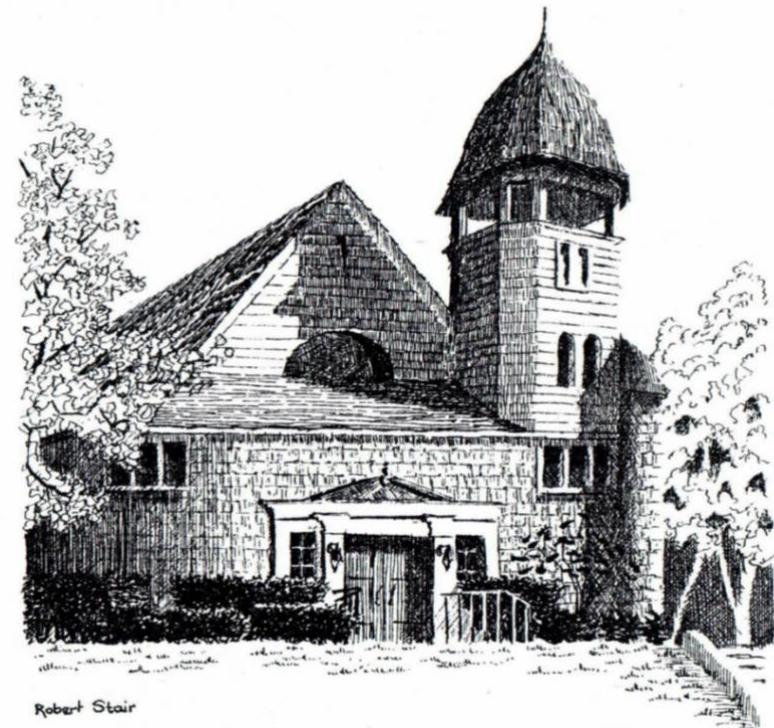
WELCOME TO WORSHIP

October 17th, 2021

“21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST”

“LAITY SUNDAY”

Liturgical Color – Green



DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

TODAY'S CENTERING MEDITATION

“... the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others
and to give his life as a ransom for many”

Mark 10:45 (NLT)

* 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 PRAYER:

* CALL TO WORSHIP:

As the rains pour from heaven, soaking the earth that it may produce good things....

So God pours God's love upon us, that we, too, may produce goodness and peace.

We have been blessed with many gifts and talents.

God desires that we use these gifts and talents for healing, peace, and hope.

Come, let us worship and celebrate the mighty love and power of God.

Praise be to God who has blessed us in so many ways.

Amen.

* *All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine*

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CALL TO CONFESSION

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

God of Mercy and Compassion, Healing and Forgiveness, Hope and Peace,

We pray for forgiveness this day.

We can get caught up in selfish pursuits

and completely overlook the words and actions of your Son.

For choosing power over service, forgive us.

For seeking glory rather than humility, forgive us.

For pushing ourselves to the front,

when our presence is needed on the sidelines, forgive us.

Help us know where we are needed and how best to serve you and your people.

Guide us to your side,

that we might be your hands of healing and compassion for a world in need.

In Christ's name, we pray.

Amen.

GOD'S WORD:

Mark 10:35-45

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

"BE DIFFERENT – BE THE DIFFERENCE"

PRAYER OF RICHARD OF CHICHESTER, ENGLAND

Thanks be to thee, O Lord Jesus Christ,

for all the benefits which thou hast given us;

for all the pains and insults which thou hast born for us.

O most merciful Redeemer, friend, and brother,

may we know thee more clearly,

love thee more dearly,

and follow thee more nearly,

for thine own sake.

Amen.

* *Take Up Thy Cross*

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

Let it be that we do not give and serve by rote, O God.

Open our eyes instead to see the world as you see it.

Touch our hearts in such a way that we might respond in gratitude that we are able to give.

Amen

DISCIPLESHIP CHALLENGE

Jesus turned everything upside down, and he calls us to do the same.

He said his followers must serve others rather than be served.

What will you do this week to be the difference in someone's life?

What will you do this week to show others Jesus is the difference maker?

* BENEDICTION

* *Freely, Freely*

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WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PARDON

Jesus Loves the Little Children

Jesus loves the little children,
ALL the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white,
They are precious in His sight.
Jesus loves the children of the world.

CHILDREN'S CHAT

Where Children Belong

This, this is where children belong,
Welcomed as part of the worshipping throng.
Water, God's Word,
bread and cup, prayer and song:
This is where children belong.

2233 (sing twice)

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

The Nicene Creed

* *Are Ye Able*

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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.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in the one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.**

Amen.