

## **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:**

Sharon; Triv; Mary Jane; Lloyd; George; Pastor Linda Eckersley; (1) Debbie; Matt; (2) ...

Megan; Jeff; April; Harry; Shannon; Bryan; Justin; Patrick; (3) ... Sandy; (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**

Clara Slembariski; (1) ... Dylan Osticco; Gerard "Ardie" Exter; (2) ... Betty Parks; (4)

### **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**

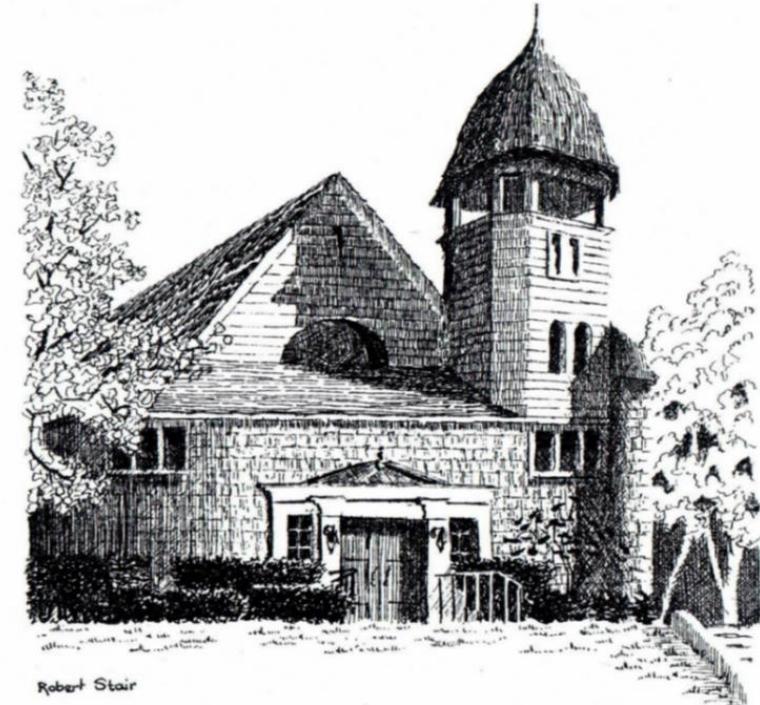
Including Our Enemies & Those We Simply Disagree With

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021

"24<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST"

Liturgical Color – Green



## DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### TODAY'S CENTERING MEDITATION

***"All the others gave what they'll never miss;  
she gave extravagantly what she couldn't afford—  
she gave her all."***

- Mark 12:48

\* 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:

What joy it is to have you here today!

**We have come from very busy lives, filled both with joys and difficulties.**

Welcome to this place in which God will ease your burdens and celebrate your joys with you.

**We have come to find hope and peace in our lives.**

Whatever has happened this week in your life,  
know that God is with you and offering you peace, rest and blessing.

**Thanks be to God who accepts us as we are,  
and thanks for the warm welcome in this service of worship.**

**Amen.**

\* *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

# 94

\* *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

# 95

\* *Give Thanks*

# 2036

CALL TO CONFESSION

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

**Gracious God, so often we look at ourselves, our gifts and our talents,  
and wonder what you would do with these offerings.**

**We don't think that we have much to give.**

**So, far too many times, we belittle the gifts and turn our backs  
on the needs and opportunities present to serve,**

SHARING THE LOAF AND CUP

\* *Where Charity and Love Prevail*

# 549 (tune # 378 – Amazing Grace)

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

Crystal Sygeel-Lystlund

You have heard it before:

"God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son."

**We have heard, and we remember.**

Why do we give?

**We are supposed to.**

Why do we give?

**Because we should.**

Why do we give?

**Because we see others doing so.**

Brothers and sisters, we must give for love, and love alone.

**For God so loved the world, that God gave his only Son.**

**Amen.**

DISCIPLESHIP CHALLENGE

The poor widow gave extravagantly what she could not afford – she gave her all to the Lord.

The young boy gave his life - he gave his all to the Lord.

Can any of us afford to do any less?

How will you respond to what the Lord has done for you?

\* BENEDICTION

\* *God Be with You till We Meet Again*

# 672 (verses 1 and 4)

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**JOHN WESLEY'S 3-SIMPLE RULES**

1) Do no harm

2) Do good

3) Stay in love with God

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.  
Though he was rich, yet for our sake he became poor.  
When hungry and tempted, he refused to make bread for himself  
that he might be the bread of life for others.  
When the multitudes were hungry, he fed them.  
He broke bread with the outcast but drove the greedy from the temple.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection  
you gave birth to your Church,  
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,  
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,  
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup,  
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:  
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving  
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,  
and on these gifts of bread and juice.

Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,  
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,  
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,  
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,  
all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

**believing that our gifts cannot possibly make a difference.**

**We think that we must possess the greatest of talents and wealth in order to truly please and serve you.**

**How foolish we are!**

**Forgive us when we stop listening to your healing and comforting words and focus on our anxieties.**

**Heal us, Lord.**

**Help us know that you have given to us such blessings**

**and that these blessings are truly wonderful and meant to be used in joy and service to others.**

**Help us bring our lives, just as they are, to you and to receive your gentle touch and healing grace.**

**For we ask this in Jesus' Name.**

**Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PARDON

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

*The Apostles' Creed, Ecumenical Version*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;**

**he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;**

**he ascended into heaven,**

**is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy catholic church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

*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)

MISSION MOMENTS ... *Tunkhannock U.M. Home*

Sharron Lewis

\* *O Master. Let Me Walk with Thee*

# 430

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.**

GOD'S WORD:

Mark 12:38-44

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

**"WHAT WE REALLY CANNOT AFFORD"**

PRAYER FOR A NEW HEART

**Thou who art over us,  
Thou who art one of us,  
Thou who art:  
Give me a pure heart, that I may see thee;  
a humble heart, that I may hear thee;  
a heart of love, that I may serve thee;  
a heart of faith, that I may abide in thee.  
Amen.**

Dag Hammarskjöld

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

By your appointment the seasons come and go.

You bring forth bread from the earth and create the fruit of the vine.

You formed us in your image and made us stewards of your world.

Earth has yielded its treasure,

and from your hand we have received blessing on blessing.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**