

September 26, 2021

(**Indicates, please stand as able)

Prelude "The Prayer"
Carole Sager & David Foster/Carol Tornquist

Greeting/Life of the Church Pastor Andy Wagner

Introit Chancel Choir

**Call to Worship

L: Come one and all to meet God here. Let all who are suffering find hope in this place.

P: We have come that God might raise us up. Our only hope is in the Maker of heaven and earth.

L: Come, all who are weary and oppressed. God offers relief and enlists our mutual helpfulness.

P: God hears our prayers and answers us. God equips us to be helpful to one another.

L: Come together to sing songs of praise to God. Give thanks for God's wondrous deeds.

A: God's glory abides in this place of worship. God's presence and help are real.

**Opening Hymn "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" UMH#133

Opening Prayer (unison)

May all your people find favor with you this day, God of majesty and power. Turn our sorrow into gladness and our mourning into a holiday, a holy day, in which to praise you and find ways to help those less fortunate than ourselves. Lift us from our daily preoccupations that we may pray with earnest intent, both to thank you and to be changed by you. Let our prayers be powerful and effective. May our worship be alive and life-changing. May the service we extend find favor in your eyes, blessed God. Amen.

Prayer Hymn "Near to the Heart of God" UMH#472

Prayers of the Faithful & 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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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.

Worship with Tithes and Offerings Carol Stewart
Offertory "I Asked the Lord" Johnny Lange and Jimmy Duncan

**Doxology UMH #95

**Prayer of Dedication Pastor Andy Wagner

We dedicate ourselves and our offerings to the work of your church. For those who are sick, who are suffering, who are grieving, who are lost, we have words of hope and acts of caring. We stand with all who face discrimination, oppression, and confusion, seeking to work with them for justice and a meaningful existence. As you have accepted us, we reach out to include all your children in the family of mutuality, self-revelation, and growing in love. Amen.

Ministry of Music Chancel Choir
"Ride the Chariot" arr. by Robert L. Colaner

Scripture Lesson James 5: 13-20

L: The Word of God for the People of God.

P: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Sermon "Pray, Pray, Pray" Pastor Andy Wagner

**Closing Hymn "Soldiers of Christ, Arise" UMH#513

Sending Forth

Choral Benediction

**Postlude "Sweet Hour of Prayer" William Bradbury/Melody Bober



Altar Flowers are given by Simon & Lauren Kjersten in honor of their Wedding Day, September 25, 2021.



Monday 27	Boy Scouts	7:00 pm	Rm 15C
Tuesday 28	Disciple Bible Study	6:30 pm	Rm 6
Wednesday 29	Disciple Bible Study	2:00 pm	Rm 6
	Handbell Practice	6:15 pm	Music Room
	Praise Band Practice	7:00 pm	FCC
	Choir Practice	7:30 pm	Sanctuary
Thursday 30	Prayer Shawl	11:00 am	Parlor
	Stephen Ministry Training	6:30 pm	Library
Friday 1			
Saturday 2			
Sunday 3	Gary Blevins Art Show	9:00 am	Rm 15 A-B
	Traditional Worship	9:00 am	Sanctuary
	Sunday School	10:00 am	Rm 11, 15 C, 16A, Parlor, Library
	Contemporary Worship	11:00 am	FCC
	Boy Scouts Troop 140	5:00 pm	Rm 15 A

Sunday School Studies

Explorers meet in Room 6, Leader Char Lee, study of "The Jesus You May Not Know" by David Jeremiah.

Double I meet in 15C, Leader Wayne Cook, 11 week study of "Romans Chapters 9-16 - Part 2: A New Lifestyle."

Open Doors meet in Parlor, Leader Sandy Pramer study "The Book of Proverbs."

Friends & Followers meet in the Library, Leader Chad Mossing.

Grades 6-12 will meet in Rm 16 A-B, Leader Joyce Smith.

Preschool – Grade 5 Join the children in Rm 11 under the leadership of Kiley Fleming and Karen Mossing for Bible Stories and activities to reinforce the Bible Story of the day.

Pray, Pray, Pray

James 5:13-20



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We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation

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Worship Team

Ushers Mike Tittle, Don Wolf,
Butch Smith, Gary Allen

Liturgist Chad Mossing

Acolytes Will Mossing, Catherine Mossing,
Morgan Fleming, Micah Fleming,
Austin Barone, AJ Trent

Organist Carol Stewart

Scripture Lesson – James 5: 13-20

The Prayer of Faith

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Next Sermon – Sunday, October 3

"All of One Father"
Scripture Lesson

Pastor Andy Wagner
Hebrews 2: 5-12

Announcements

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IT'S FCUM COLLEGE CREW CARE PACKAGE TIME!: We have twelve students studying at the college or graduate level this semester. Let's send them a care package full of love and support from their home church. I asked each student to give me some items that they would like to receive in a care package and their responses included dry erase markers, pens, pencils, post-it notes, gummy bears, Starbucks gift cards, Pringles (original and pizza flavored), and snacks. I will put up a collection bin to gather any items that you would like to donate and will take any financial contributions that are made and use those funds to purchase care package items and to cover mailing costs. The bins will be in the Narthex and by the exit doors of the Community Center on October 3rd and 10th. I will work to send the Care Packages out after those dates. If you have question or want to offer help in any other way by keeping connected to our College Crew, please let me know. Julie Wickline 937-207-8289.

VACATION: Our Office Administrator, Deb Klaty, will be on vacation Sep 20-Oct 5. Please be patient with our office volunteers in her absence. We have printed all the bulletins ahead of time, so please give Pastor Andy any announcements that come up in her absence.

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