

## October 24, 2021

(\*\*Indicates, please stand as able)

Prelude "You Raise Me Up" Lovland and Graham/Marilyn Ham

Greeting/Life of the Church Pastor Andy Wagner

Introit Chancel Choir

\*\*Call to Worship

L: God is gathering us from many different places. No one is worthy, but all are invited.

**P: God lifts us up when we stumble and leads us back. God cares for us amid our pain and losses.**

L: We are delivered from our fears and saved from trouble. Happy are those who take refuge in a loving God.

**P: Our lips pour forth laughter and joyous singing. We join in shouts of praise to God Most High.**

L: Taste and see how good God is. Trust in the One who awakens joy in place of tears.

**A: We will bless our God in all times and places. Let us exalt God's name together!**

\*\*Opening Hymn "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" UMH#57

Opening Prayer (unison)

**Amazing God, whose claims on us are as old as creation and as new as this very moment, help us to hear you calling us, not alone that we may be healed, but that we might become instruments of healing in a hurting world. Restore to us that sight that is beyond seeing, so your church may respond with joy to the great high priest, in whose name we pray and carry out our ministry. Amen.**

Prayer Hymn "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior" (vs. 1-3) UMH#351

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 "Somebody's Knockin' At Your Door" Traditional Spiritual

\*\*Doxology UMH #95

\*\*Prayer of Dedication Pastor Andy Wagner

**Hear our prayer for all who may be helped by what we give. We offer more than money; we offer ourselves. May the sympathy and comfort we share with people in need serve to draw them closer to you. Keep us strong, that this church may give radiant witness to truth, constructive opposition to evil, and merciful redemption to those caught up in the wickedness of our times. Amen.**

\*\*Gospel Lesson Mark 10: 46-52

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

**P: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Ministry of Music Chancel Choir (see insert)

"I Will Arise and Go To Jesus" William Walker/Robert L. Colaner

Sermon "He Is Calling You" Pastor Andy Wagner

\*\*Closing Hymn "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" UMH#348

\*\*Sending Forth

\*\*Choral Benediction Chancel Choir

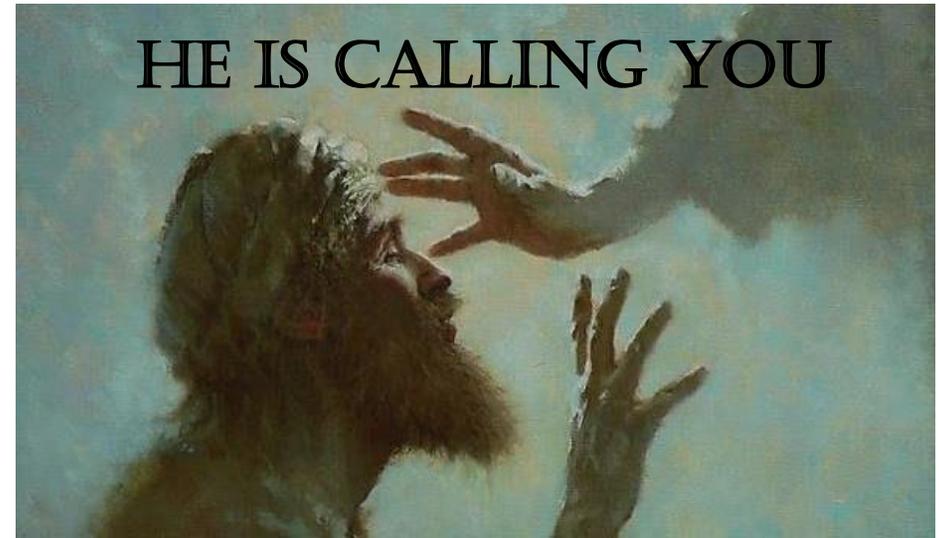
\*\*Postlude "Jesus Is Calling" George Stebbins  
"Jesus Calls Us" William H. Jude



*Altar Flowers are given by Dick Strous in memory of Dolores and their 67<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.*



Monday 25	Cub Scouts Nominations Comm. Boy Scouts	6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Rm 15 A-B Rm 8 Rm 15C
Tuesday 26	Disciple Bible Study	6:30 pm	Rm 6
Wednesday 27	Cancer Support Disciple Bible Study Handbell Practice Praise Band Practice	12:00 pm 2:00 pm 6:15 pm 7:00 pm	Parlor Rm 6 Music Room FCC
Thursday 28	Prayer Shawl Stephen Ministry Class	11:00 am 6:30 pm	Parlor Library
Friday 29			
Saturday 30			
Sunday 31  HAPPY HALLOWEEN	Traditional Worship Sunday School  Contemporary Worship Boy Scouts Troop 140	9:00 am 10:00 am  11:00 am 5:00 pm	Sanctuary Rm 11, 15 C, 16A, Parlor, Library  FCC Rm 15 A



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**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.

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**Worship Team**

Ushers	United Methodist Women
Liturgist	Julie Wickline
Acolytes	Catherine Mossing, Morgan Fleming,
Organist	Carol Stewart
Bell Director	Jim McPeek
Choir Director	Bob Colaner

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### I Will Arise

By William Walker/Robert L. Colaner

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