

July 17, 2022

(**Indicates, please stand as able)

Prelude "I Will Arise and Go to Jesus" Carol Stewart
arr. by Mark Hayes

Greeting/Life of the Church Pastor Andy Wagner

**Call to Worship

L: We gather to give thanks to You, O Lord, with all our heart!

P: We will sing Your praises before all creation, and rejoice in Your steadfast love!

L: You have created us, O Lord, and made us for Yourself.

P: In You we become everything You have made us to be!

A: We gather to worship you, O Lord, with all our heart!

**Opening Hymn "O Worship the King" UMH#73

Opening Prayer (unison)

Faithful God, we come into Your presence with thanksgiving, deeply grateful for the unfailing love and faithfulness You have shown toward us, Your people. When we call out to You, You answer. When we are exhausted, You give us the strength to go on. When we find ourselves in trouble, You are there, standing beside us. And so we come before You with gratitude and praise, offering You the worship of our hearts and lives. Open our eyes to see and know Your presence here among us; open our ears to recognize Your voice. And then send us out from here, to live and work in the world as Your faithful disciples. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer Hymn "Open My Eyes, That I May See" UMH#454

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'd Rather Have Jesus" Miller/Shea/Marilynn Ham

**Doxology UMH #95

**Prayer of Dedication

God, we bring our gifts to you with cheerfulness and a joyful heart. Grant that along with our gifts we may also offer a ready mind and a willing spirit to show forth in our lives the truth of the Gospel. Amen.

**Gospel Lesson Luke 10: 38-42

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

P: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Ministry of Music Wayne Cook, vocal solo; Gene Foiles, piano
"Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Thomas A. Dorsey

Sermon "The Better Part" Pastor Andy Wagner

**Closing Hymn "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" UMH #462

**Sending Forth

Postlude Carol Stewart
"You Are My All in All" Dennis Jernigan/Marilynn Ham

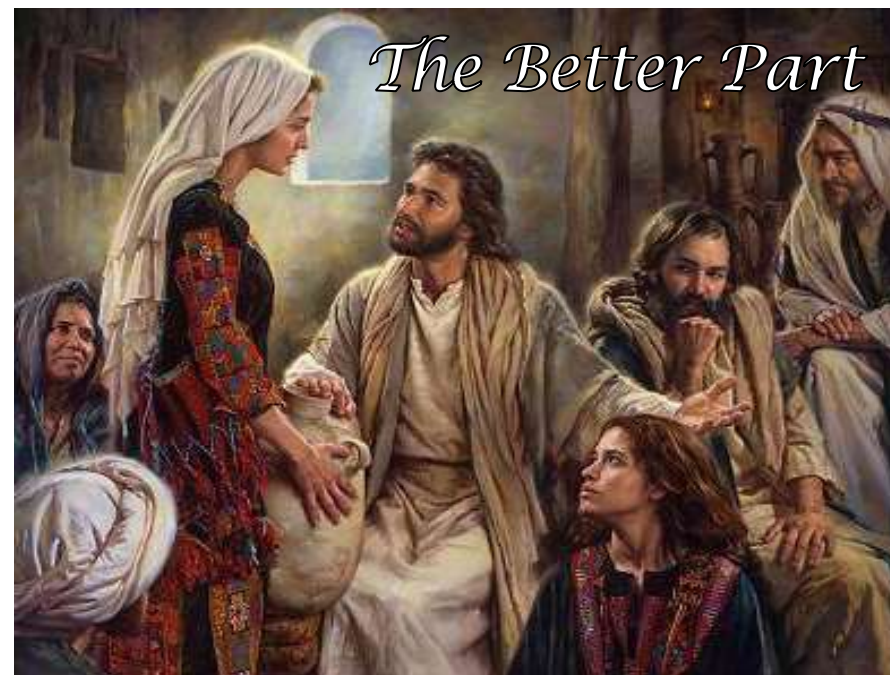


*Altar Flowers are given by Harry & Alice Osman
in honor of their 17th Wedding Anniversary.*

Scripture Lesson – Luke 10: 38-42

Jesus Visits Martha and Mary

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, ⁴² but few things are needed — indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."



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We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation

WELCOME VISITORS!

If you are visiting with us today, please take a moment to sign our attendance register located in each pew. We welcome you and hope you will come back and worship with us again soon.

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Worship Team

Ushers	Eric Fleming, Chad Mossing, Gary Allen, Jim Osburn
Liturgist	Sandy Pramer
Organist	Carol Stewart



Monday 18	Magic Volleyball Practice Men of Faith Boy Scouts	5:30 pm 6:00 pm	FCC FH 15A
Tuesday 19	Private Event	6:00 pm	FH 15C
Wednesday 20			
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Saturday 23	Mary Warner Memorial	11:00 am	Sanctuary
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Open Doors meet in Parlor, Leader Sandy Pramer study of **"You Are Never Alone by Max Lucado."**

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CHARGE CONFERENCE: There will be a special Charge Conference held on **Thursday, July 21, at 6:30PM**. This is the same time as our regularly scheduled Administrative Board meeting. The members of the Charge Conference are the same as the members of the Administrative Board. The purpose of this special Charge Conference is to consider Rod Leupp as a Candidate for Ministry with the Miami Valley District. This will be the only item of discussion at this Charge Conference. Our regular Administrative Board meeting will take place immediately following the Charge Conference.

SHOES 4 THE SHOELESS: We are planning to go back to our previous program and have the children come in to be sized on **Saturday, July 30, 9:30-10:30am** and return on **Saturday, August 13, 9:30-10:30am** to pick up their new shoes. This will give the congregation a chance to get involved again by purchasing the shoes. We will have a shoe tree in the narthex on **Sunday, July 31** and you can bring the shoes in on **Sunday, August 7**. If you would like to volunteer on either of those Saturdays or have any questions please call Sandy Pramer at (937) 307-3619.

PLEASE HELP KEEP IT CLEAN: Just a reminder that there are no food or drinks (other than water) allowed in the Narthex or Sanctuary.

USE CAUTION WHEN PARKING: Please continue to be careful when you are parking, as we will not receive our new bumpers until mid-August.

CARE NOTES: The Stephen Ministry team wants you to know that we have numerous resources available for you or for others you know who don't feel the need of the one-on-one care provided by Stephen Ministry but could benefit from some additional information. Care Notes located in display racks in the narthex and community center deal with a wide range of topics including coping with aging, serious illness, divorce, miscarriage, depression, anger, and grief. Only a few of these are on display at any given time. If there is an area you don't see covered, please ask and one of us will be glad to locate something for you. There are also many books on some of these same topics in the adult library.

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