

October 22, 2023

Please take a moment to sign our attendance register located in each pew.

(**Indicates, please stand as able)

Greeting/Life of the Church

Prelude

"I Exalt Thee"

Carol Stewart
Pete Sanchez, Jr.

**Call to Worship

Liturgist: Come, Holy God, draw near.

People: We long to see you.

Liturgist: Come, God of justice, be present today.

People: We need your grace in our world.

Liturgist: Come in this hour.

People: Show us your love.

**Opening Hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" UMH #64

Opening Prayer (unison)

Holy God, we long to sense your presence. Awaken us with your love and grace and show us your possibilities for our lives.

Assure us that we are not alone and that you walk with us always. For this we offer you our thanks and praise. Amen.

Children's Moments

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.

Offering/Offertory

"Deeper and Deeper"

Carol Stewart
Oswald J. Smith

**Doxology

UMH #95

**Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, your kindness and compassion surround us. You alone are holy. You alone bring meaning and hope to our lives. We are grateful for all that you are and all that you give us. Receive us and the gifts that we bring, that the world might know you and the gifts you offer to those who ask. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Exodus 33:12-23

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

P: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Ministry of Music

"Sing With Joy to the Lord"

Chancel Choir
John Wyatt Burson

Sermon

"Going Deeper"

Pastor Jeff Bandy

**Closing Hymn

"God Be with You till We Meet Again" (v.1,2,4) UMH #672

Sending Forth

Choral Benediction

"He is Exalted"

Twila Paris

Postlude

"How Great Is Our God"

Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, Ed Cash



The Altar Flowers are given in appreciation of the beautiful landscape provided by God's artwork.

Scripture Reading – Exodus 33:12-23 (NRSV)

Moses's Intercession

¹² Moses said to the LORD, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' ¹³ Now if I have found favor in your sight, please show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider, too, that this nation is your people." ¹⁴ He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." ¹⁵ And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not bring us up from here. ¹⁶ For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

¹⁷ The LORD said to Moses, "I will also do this thing that you have asked, for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." ¹⁸ Moses said, "Please show me your glory." ¹⁹ And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you the name, 'The LORD,' and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. ²⁰ But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for no one shall see me and live." ²¹ And the LORD continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock, ²² and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; ²³ then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back, but my face shall not be seen."

WELCOME VISITORS!

If you are visiting with us today, we welcome you and hope you will come back and worship with us again soon. We would love to get to know you, please take a moment to provide your information in the attendance register located in each pew.



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We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation

October 22, 2023 - Worship Team

Ushers	Sandy Pramer, Joyce Osburn Karen Mossing, Molly Mossing
Greeters	Bob Whipp, Pam Whipp
Liturgist	Elaine Hughes
Organist	Carol Stewart
Bells Director	Jim McPeck
Choir Director	Melody Kelley



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Scripture Lesson

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Leviticus 19: 1-2, 15-18

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MARY & MARTHA GATHERING: We have yet to meet a woman, of any age, who doesn't crave just one night away from home ... a night filled with FRIENDS in FAITH, FUN and yummy FOOD! And so, we are excited to announce the start of the "Mary & Martha" gathering, the second Monday of EVERY month, here at Faith Community in the Community Center, from 6-8 pm. YOU deserve it! Our first gathering will be **Monday, Nov. 13, 2023**; *open to all *childcare provided *potluck meals to share *anonymous prayer concerns AND *women encouraging/supporting women. Join us at our soon to be Facebook Page. Reach out to Laurie Krakowiak at (937) 694-8114 or Barbara Mills at (937) 414-4108.

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