

World Communion Day

October 6, 2024

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

(**Indicates, please stand as able)

Greeting/Life of the Church

Prelude Carol Stewart
"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" Haydn/Hustad

**Call to Worship

Jesus reflects God's glory.

Jesus sustains all things by his power.

Jesus is the pioneer of our salvation.

Praise Jesus in whom we place our trust.

**Opening Hymn "My Hope Is Built" (v. 1,3,4) UMH #368

Opening Prayer (unison)

Lord, we come to you today with so many things on our hearts.

You call us to be in a relationship of trust and love with you and you offer transformation to us for those portions of our lives that are unlike you. Help us to be open to your grace and mercy. Amen.

Children's Moments

Prayer Hymn "One Bread, One Body" UMH #620

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 Carol Stewart
"Thou Art Worthy" Pauline Mills/Lyndell Leatherman

**Doxology

UMH #95

**Prayer of Dedication

God of grace and mercy, as we bring our gifts before you today, we remember your infinite love that welcomes everyone, especially the vulnerable and the overlooked. Help us to see and meet the needs around us with open hearts and willing hands, extending your grace and compassion to all. Bless these gifts and use them to further your work in our community and beyond, so everyone may know and feel your love. Amen.

Ministry of Music Suzanne Bandy, Pam Colbrunn, Glen Shaw, vocal trio
"Grace Alone" arr. by Tom Fettke

Scripture Reading Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

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

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

Sermon "Glory Be" Pastor Jeff Bandy

Sacrament of Holy Communion

**Closing Hymn "How Firm a Foundation" (v. 1-4) UMH #529

**Sending Forth

Postlude Carol Stewart
"Worthy Is the Lamb" George F. Handel/Lyndell Leatherman



*The Altar Flowers are given by United Methodist Women
in memory of Bonnie Weimer.*

Scripture Reading – Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12 (NRSVUE)

God Has Spoken by His Son

¹ Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³ He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴ having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Exaltation through Abasement

⁵ Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶ But someone has testified somewhere, "What are humans that you are mindful of them or mortals that you care for them?" ⁷ You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, ⁸ subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, ⁹ but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. ¹⁰ It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹ For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹² saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

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 06, 2024 - Worship Team

Ushers	Sally Wallace, Catherine Mossing, Joyce Osburn, Karen Mossing
Greeters	Dick Montgomery, Sandy Pramer
Liturgist	Joyce Smith
Organist	Carol Stewart
Chancel Choir Director	Melody Kelley
Handbell Choir Director	Jim McPeek



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Saturday 12			
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"Life's Treasures"
Gospel Lesson

Rev. Jeff Bandy
Mark 10: 17-31 (NRSVUE)

Save the Date

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BRING YOUR COINS NEXT WEEK: Coins for missions Sunday is **Sunday, Oct. 13**. Coins will go to the following Ministries supported by the FCUMC mission and outreach team: Bridges of Hope, Fish Pantry and Family Promise.

MARY & MARTHA GATHERING: We are SUPER EXCITED to announce that the next Mary & Martha gathering will be a 1st YEAR CELEBRATION and we are making this **BIG**, with balloons, photo opportunities, BINGO games, gifts and much more! Bring yourself and a friend, **Monday, Oct. 14 from 6:00 to 8:00pm in FCC**. Continuing with our theme, bring your favorite birthday meal dish/side to share and we will provide the desserts. If you need childcare, RSVP to 937-694-8114 and if you have any questions, please contact either Laurie Krakowiak at 937-694-8114 or Barbara Mills at 937-414-4108.

WOMEN'S GROUPS: DORCAS CIRCLE will meet on **Tuesday, Oct. 15 at 1:00pm in FH 15A**. WOMEN UNITED CIRCLE will meet **Monday, Oct. 21 at 1:00pm in the Parlor**.

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