Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 9, 2022 – 10:55 A.M.

*Please stand as you are able

ENTRANCE

MEDITATIVE MUSIC Jeanne Banks, Pianist

ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Will Waller

CHIMING THE HOUR

OPENING VOLUNTARY O Worship the King—Larson Jubilant Ringers

ACOLYTE MINISTRY

GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP Ina Clements, Liturgist

L: Lord, we live in a 1-click world. Dazzling items available at our fingertips.

P: Give us wisdom.

L: In this life, we can buy now, pay later. We can bury ourselves in debt in seconds.

P: Give us wisdom.

L: Teach us the value of seeking wisdom first of all. Like miners dedicated to finding the precious jewel buried beneath, unearth in us all an endless desire for the gem of your wisdom.

P: Give us wisdom, Lord. Give us wisdom. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise No. 103

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed No. 881

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM No. 33

Sophia Jade Godfrey

WELCOME AND MUSICAL RESPONSE

Refrain: Sophia, Sophia, God claims you; God helps you, protects you, and loves you too.

- 1. We this day do all agree, a child of God you'll always be. (Refrain)
- 2. We your family love you so, we vow to help your faith to grow. (Refrain)
- 3. We are here to say this day, that we will help you on your way. (Refrain)

INVITATION TO THE CHILDREN Where Children Belong

TFWS No. 2233

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

CHILDREN'S TIME Rev. Waller

(Afterwards, children in preschool through 2nd grade may go to Children's Church.)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE LESSON Job 28 Old Testament pg. 449

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON Wise: Fork in the Road Rev. Waller

OFFERTORY Fanfare Rondeau—Mouret

*THE DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow No. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, Whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

ANTHEM Be Thou My Vision—Parker Chancel Choir

PRAYER REQUESTS

Call to Prayer Open Our Eyes, Lord TFWS No. 2086

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought No. 128

*THE ACOLYTE MINISTRY

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE As We Go

As we go, may your spirit go before us. As we go, may we follow where you lead.

May we live what we have learned, share the message we have heard,
and be a light unto the world, as we go.

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*Going Forth Rev. Waller

*Postlude Mrs. Meeks

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The flowers on the Communion Table are given by Tyler and Ti Godfrey to the Glory of God and in celebration of Sophia's baptism today.

The rosebud on the Communion Table is given to the Glory of God and in honor of the birth of Callie June Banks on October 4 to Josh and Hannah Banks.

Grandparents are Marshall and Jeanne Banks.

Serving Today:

Liturgist: Ina Clements Greeter: Jessica Mitchell Acolyte: Audrey Mitchell Usher: P. D. Hambrick

Children's Church: Heather Quinn

Nursery: Callie Angle

Counters: Martha Sue Gibson, Becky Newbill

Serving Next Week (October 16):

Liturgist: Becky Newbill Greeter: Jane Roseberry Acolyte: Jovie Angle Usher: Sam Roseberry

Children's Church: Jessica Mitchell

Nursery: Jessica Call

Counters: Ina Clements, Ben Whitesell

Prayer Concerns:

Our country, our church and those serving in our armed forces; People of Ukraine; Robin Cooper; Jason Lavinder; Hazel Henderson; Peggie Foster; Kathleen Higgins; Lillie Hatchett; Jerry Davis; Tim Funk; Barbara Huffman; Lynn Cooper; Anna Campbell; Betty Dillon; CO Brickey; Dick Shoemaker; Jennifer Cooper; John Cooper; Arnold Dillon, Sr.; Cheryl Peck (Sandra Funk); Evelyn Hutcherson (Mike Turner); Kash Kinder (Peggy Hodges); KC Barron (Becky Newbill); Janis Odom (DJ Pritchard); Becky Bennett (Jennie Ardis); Mike Shea (Enna Roseberry); Debbie Ford (Ben Whitesell); and Dennis Holland (Cyndee Holland).

Forget-Me-Nots:

Eleanor Woody

Will Waller, Pastor
Lynn M. Meeks, Director of Music/Diaconal Minister
Jeanne Banks, Pianist
Valerie Latimer, Administrative Assistant
Jennifer Ardis, Nursery Attendant
Rebecca Dillon, Children's Church Coordinator
Brad Hodges, Custodian

Meetings and Announcements:

•Monday, October 10 7:00 p.m., Boy Scouts

•Tuesday, October 11 9:30 a.m., Ladies Bible Study

7:00 p.m., Staff/Parish Relations Committee Meeting

7:00 p.m., Jubilant Ringers

•Wednesday, October 12 5:00-6:30 p.m., Wonderful Wednesday

7:00 p.m., Chancel Choir

•Thursday, October 13 6:30 p.m., Cub Scouts

•Next Sunday, October 16 8:45 a.m., United Methodist Men Breakfast Meeting

10:00 a.m., Small Groups **10:55 a.m.**, Worship

•Monday, October 17 November Newsletter Deadline

•Tuesday, October 18 7:00 p.m., Finance Committee Meeting

•Friday, October 21 The United Methodist Women Annual Fall Soup Making

Day.

•Tuesday, October 25 Serve lunch at Stepping Stone Soup Kitchen

12:00 p.m., Sunshine Girls will meet at Ippy's for lunch

7:00 p.m., Church Council Meeting

•Thursday, October 27 Serve lunch at Stepping Stone Soup Kitchen

•Monday, October 31 6:00 p.m., Trunk-or-Treat

Assistive listening devices are available outside the sanctuary.

The United Women in Faith is taking orders for quarts of homemade potato, with or without meat, chicken tortilla, and vegetable beef soup. Simply fill out the order form in the Sunday bulletin and give it to one of the United Women in Faith. Cost is \$10 a quart. You may pick up your soup on Sunday, October 23 after worship. All funds raised will be used for United Women in Faith mission projects.

The Franklin County Office of Aging is sponsoring a Senior Expo Thursday, October 27 from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at the Essig Recreation Center. The event is free and will have over fifty vendors addressing the needs of seniors. There will be a food truck, live music and demonstrations of yoga, line dancing, tai chi and pickleball. Come and join us for information and fun.

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Congratulations! We collected 82 pounds of canned food for Heavenly Manna. We are collecting macaroni and cheese for Heavenly Manna this month. Please put your donations in the barrel located in the narthex. Thank You!