

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
July 30, 2023 – 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 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*—Page Lynn Meeks, Organist
ACOLYTE MINISTRY

GREETING

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Jessica Mitchell, Liturgist
L: There are different spiritual gifts,
P: But the same Spirit.
L: There are many of us,
P: But the same Spirit who gives to us all.
L: There are different ministries,
P: And the same Lord.
L: There are many places for us to serve,
P: And the same Lord who calls to us all.
L: There are different activities,
P: But the same God who produces all of them in everyone.
L: There are many of us,
P: And one God who calls and equips us for service.

***HYMN OF PRAISE** *What a Mighty God We Serve* TFWS No. 2021

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *The Apostles' Creed* No. 881

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 Romans 16:1-6 New Testament pg. 154

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

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON *Superheroes: Jarena* Rev. Waller

OFFERTORY *Here's One*—Hayes

(Please tear off the pew pad attendance sheet and place in the offering plate.)

***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 *I Will Sing Praises*—Thomas Chancel Choir/Becky Newbill, Soloist

PRAYER REQUESTS

CALL TO PRAYER *All I Need is You* TFWS No. 2080
All I need is you, Jesus, all I need is you. You are the source of all I need. All I need is you.

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** *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me* TFWS No. 2153

***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.

***GOING FORTH** Rev. Waller

***POSTLUDE** Mrs. Meeks

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Serving Today:

Liturgist: Jessica Mitchell

Greeter: Rodney and Pat Cundiff

Acolyte: Silas Gibson

Usher: Bill Cooper

Children's Church: Christina Gibson

Nursery: Suzanne Ross

Counters: Martha Sue Gibson, Becky Newbill

Serving Next Week (August 6):

Liturgist: Steve Sherman

Greeter: Jane Roseberry

Ushers: Sam Roseberry, Phillip Roseberry

Children's Church: Cindy St. Clair

Nursery: Martha Sue Gibson

Counters: Linda Handy, Charlotte Hill

Elementary Small Group at 10:00 a.m. (August 6)

Susan Hatchett

Prayer Concerns:

Our country, our church and those serving in our armed forces; People of Ukraine; Kelly Peterson; Willie Denny; Arnold Dillon, Sr.; Rodney Cundiff; Bob Huffman; Debbie Caulder; Jack Dillon; Jason Lavinder; Hazel Henderson; Lillie Hatchett; Jerry Davis; Barbara Huffman; Lynn Cooper; Betty Dillon; CO Brickey; Jennifer Cooper; John Cooper; Karen Hobgood (Tammy Burdick); Sophia Moore (CO Brickey); Dr. Matthew and Amanda Billups (Jack Watts); Don Angle (Steve Angle); Mike Shea (Enna Roseberry); Debbie Ford (Ben Whitesell); and Dennis Holland (Cyndee Holland).

Forget-Me-Nots:

Kathleen Higgins

Will Waller, Pastor

Lynn M. Meeks, Director of Music/Diaconal Minister

Jeanne Banks, Pianist

Teresa Strobel, Office Manager

Valerie Latimer, Finance Manager

Jennifer Ardis, Nursery Attendant

Rebecca Dillon, Children's Church Coordinator

Brad Hodges, Custodian

Meetings and Announcements:

- Today, July 30** **Following worship**, United Women in Faith hosting a churchwide birthday party
- Wednesday, August 2** **7:00 p.m.**, Chancel Choir
- Thursday, August 3** **5:30 p.m.**, Nominations and Leadership Development Meeting
- Next Sunday, August 6** **10:00 a.m.**, Small Groups
 10:15 a.m., Chancel Choir
 10:55 a.m., Worship
 5:00 p.m., Family Pool Party at Furnace Creek Swim Club
- Sunday, August 13** **Following worship**, Young Life Informational Meeting
- Tuesday, August 15** **6:00 p.m.**, Trustees Committee Meeting
- Wednesday, August 16** **7:00 p.m.**, Chancel Choir
- Sunday, August 20** **10:15 a.m.**, Chancel Choir

Assistive listening devices are available outside the sanctuary.

Save the date!!!! Family pool party next Sunday, August 6 at 5:00 p.m. at Furnace Creek Swim Club. All families and youth invited! Individuals who are not members of Furnace Creek Swim Club will be required to pay a \$5 fee. Potluck style, so bring a dish to share with everyone!!

Hear about what God is doing in the community through Young Life, and learn easy, practical ways to get involved in changing the lives of young people and shifting the spiritual landscape of Franklin County! August 13, right after church. Meal provided.

Registration forms for children who will be participating in Wonderful Wednesday this year are available on the table near the Assembly Room. It is for mature four-year-olds through fifth graders. Volunteer sign-up forms are also located on the table. Two volunteers are needed each week to provide a simple meal for the children and to help with a craft project. You can also register your children and sign-up to volunteer online at rm-umc.org on our homepage. Please sign up by September 3. Our first meeting will be on Wednesday, September 13 from 5:00-6:30 p.m.

We are collecting green beans and corn for Heavenly Manna this month. Please put your donations in the barrel located in the narthex. Thank You!