

ORDER OF WORSHIP
MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

November 1, 2020 11:00 a.m.

Morning Worship Broadcast over WGOS-AM 1070 and on Facebook Live

GATHERING AND GREETING

Prelude *Tryptych on SINE NOMINE* Alfred V. Fedak

For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave, again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Chiming of the Trinity

Welcome and Parish Notes Reverend Rodney Denton

Greeting

Sing to God a brand-new song!
Praise God in the company of those who love Him!
Let God's people celebrate their Sovereign Creator,
and praise His name with music and dance!
For God is here among us,
and He delights to hear our praise!
Let us worship God!

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Song of Praise *The Lord Is My Light* Frances Allitsen
Priscilla Oldaker, soprano

The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom, then shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life. Of whom then shall I be afraid?
Though a host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid;
And tho' there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in Him.
For in the time of trouble, He shall hide me in His tabernacle.

Yea, in the secret places of His dwelling shall He hide me,
And set me up upon a rock of stone.

Litany for All Saints

We remember...

...teachers and storytellers
who made God's stories come alive for us and

We give thanks!

We remember...

...choir members, praise bands, organists,
and all the musicians who sang and played your praises and

We give thanks!

We remember...

...preachers and lay leaders
who led our worship through the years and

We give thanks!

We remember...

...parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins,
sisters, and brothers who sat with us on Sundays
and lived out their faith all week long and

We give thanks!

We remember...

...our church families – this one and others we have loved.
We remember all those who have been a part of this faith family and
We give thanks!

We remember...

...our ancestors in the faith
whose courage enables us to be here today.
For our sisters and brothers in the faith
whose names are remembered only by God
We give thanks!

Moment with the Children Reverend Lynda Hepler

Prayers of the People

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.*

Meditation *Shall We Gather at the River?* Joseph Martin

1. Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod,
With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

2. On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray,

We will talk and worship ever, all the happy golden day.

3. Ere we reach the shining river, lay we every burden down;
Grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown.

4. At the smiling of the river, mirror of the Savior's face,
Saints, whom death will never sever, lift their songs of saving grace.

5. Soon we'll reach the silver river, soon our pilgrimage will cease;
Soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Sermon *"I'm So Angwee, I Could Wift the Wuld!"* Reverend Randy Hall
Matthew 7:24-29 and Ephesians 4:25-32

SENDING FORTH

Response *My Father Watches Over Me* Charles H. Gabriel
Priscilla Oldaker, soprano

I trust in God, I know He cares for me;
On mountain bleak or on the stormy sea;
Though billows roll, He keeps my soul;
My heav'nly Father watches over me.

Benediction Rev. Hall

Postlude *Toccata on "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"* Charles W. Ore

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work his woe;
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same,
And He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us.
The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure, –
One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers no thanks to them abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still,
His kingdom is forever.

We are grateful to our guest preacher, Rev. Randy Hall. Randy served as pastor of Fairmont Presbyterian Church in Lexington for many years prior to his retirement. He is regularly called upon to preach and teach in area churches, and you likely have read his column in The Dispatch. Randy and his wife Jane are familiar faces here at Memorial, as they sing in our chancel choir. Welcome, Rev. Hall, to our pulpit today.

What to Expect at Indoor Worship

- Some pews are blocked to maintain social distancing.
- Face masks are required for everyone.
- Out of respect for others, please refrain from shaking hands or hugging.
- Offering plates are available at the entrance and exit of the sanctuary.
- At the end of the service, the congregation will be dismissed by section.
- No nursery staff are present, but the nursery space is available.

Today's Scripture

Matthew 7:24-29 (NRSV) – Hearers and Doers

24 "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. 25 The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. 26 And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. 27 The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell – and great was its fall!"

28 Now when Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were astounded at his teaching, 29 for he taught them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

Ephesians 4:25-32 (NRSV) – Rules for the New Life

25 So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. 26 Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, 27 and do not make room for the devil. 28 Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. 29 Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. 31 Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, 32 and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

Welcome, Guests!

Thank you for being here today. Please ask a church or staff member if you have questions about opportunities listed in the bulletin. And please visit our website for updates on what's happening at Memorial. We hope you join us again soon.

Announcements & Upcoming Events



Star of Bethlehem Canceled for 2020. Regretfully, a decision to cancel Star of Bethlehem for 2020 has been made. This was done due to not knowing the status of large gatherings at that time and decisions concerning the animals and other needs

that had to be made far in advance. It takes about 250 people each night to put on this production. For their safety, the inability to distance, and the uncertainty of the situation this December, it was determined that Star of Bethlehem should be cancelled. Please share this with family, friends, coworkers, and neighbors and remind them to look for it again in December 2021! (The animals have already been booked, and plans are moving forward for when large gatherings are once again the norm!) Thank you for your understanding and support. Pray that this virus soon is controlled and life returns to normal.



October 25th was Commitment Sunday for 2021. Those who attend worship in person may bring their pledge cards with them. Others may choose to bring their pledge cards to the church office or send them in the mail. Pledge cards were mailed in mid-October. Please contact Peggy May in the office if you did not receive a pledge card or if you have any questions.

Calendar

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints Sunday
10 R.L. Pope Class Online: Jim McGhee
11 Live Worship In-Person & Online
3 Youth (In-Person)
5 Worship on the Lawn

MONDAY NOVEMBER 2

10 10@10 Devotion

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 3

Election Day
8 Men's Prayer Online
9-11 Sewing Ministry
10 10@10 Devotion
5:30 Yoga (Jarrett Hall)

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 4

The Weekly Update (Facebook Live)
10 10@10 Devotion
6 Youth Small Groups Online

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 5

10 10@10 Devotion

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 6

10 10@10 Devotion

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
10 R.L. Pope Class Online: Allen Brown
11 Live Worship In-Person & Online
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UPCOMING

Nov. 19 Red Cross Blood Drive

Prayer List

If you or a loved one would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact Lorna McCullough at 336-259-5814. If you put a name on the list, please keep in touch to let us know how that person is doing, as names are removed after three weeks. During the coming week, please pray for:

The family of Austin L. Clodfelter, Jr.
Jennifer Ruff
Nancy Jones and family
Ruthie Burroughs
Randy Flint
James Carmichael
Margie Collins
Carol Kaiser
Josef Walker
Dean Sharpe-Austin
Kay Eanes
Finley Price family
Andrea Cain and family
Robert Miller
Dave Ogren
Tim Priska
Chris Eddinger
Tracy Brinkley
Peace and justice in our nation, state, and city
Our first responders, medical community, and essential workers
All those affected by COVID-19
All military personnel
Our United Methodist missionaries
The United Methodist Church

****New Time!****

NOTE: Evening Worship on the Lawn is now at 5:00 p.m. on Sundays

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**We are called by Christ to Grow in Faith,
Build Relationships, and Serve All People.**