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WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30 am Traditional

First United Methodist Church

Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.

September 24, 2023 – 10:30 A.M.

“Come close to God and He will come close to you.” James 4:8

(Stand, if able.)*

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist

*CALL TO WORSHIP *(Respond in bold)*

Liturgist

Liturgist: Where does my help come from?

People: My help comes from the Lord!

L: The Lord will keep you from all harm.

P: Lord, I stand in awe of your law.

Give me understanding that I may live! Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

“How Great Thou Art”

UMH # 77

(interlude between verses 2 and 3)

*OPENING PRAYER *(In unison)*

Liturgist

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

SHARING GREETINGS *(Please greet someone that you do not know.)*

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Tiffany Charles

*CALL TO PRAYER HYMN

“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

UMH # 496

(interlude between verses 2 and 3)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER, BLESSING ON THE GIFTS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our prayer rises to heaven, to the mystery of God's power,
as the smoke ascends when the precious incense burns.

THE LORD'S PRAYER HYMN

See Insert

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

"Lord, Be Glorified"

Choir

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #95

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Kings 19:9

Liturgist

"There he went into a cave and spent the night. And the word of the Lord came to him: "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

1 Kings 19:11

The Lord said, "Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by."

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Blessed Assurance"

Felicia Graves

MESSAGE

"Nurturing Faith"

Pastor Yohan Baek

SERMON NOTES

Note 1: Fear or crisis disrupts our life.

Note 2: **With his faith in God, he was able to deal with all kinds of adversity.**

Note 3: Hebrews 11:1

"Faith is being sure of what we hope for, and certain of what we do not see."

Note 4: In time of fear and doubt, developing our faith is the most important thing we can do, because it is **our faith that enables us to persevere** in times of fear and doubt.

Note 5: 1 Timothy 1:1-3

"Paul to Timothy my true son in faith: as I urged you when I went into Macedonia, stay there in Ephesus so that you may command certain men not to teach false doctrines any longer."

Note 6: Hang out with those who have strong faith.

***HYMN OF INVITATION**

“We Will Keep Our Faith Alive”

See Insert

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Yohan Baek

“May your **Joy** be so obvious that those who see you may come to praise God!”

(In the first century, the cross of Jesus Christ
meant the VICTORY and JOY of Easter)

***POSTLUDE**

Jeeyoung Baek

UMH (The United Methodist Hymnal – red hymnal)

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Yohan Baek, Pastor

Jeeyoung Baek, Pianist

Brian Gray, Liturgist

Felicia Graves, Soloist

Tiffany Charles, Director of Children’s Ministry & MDO

Julia Coward, Nursery Director & Children’s Church

Robert & Tenny Swonke, Greeters

Jim Curik and Glynn Tucker, Ushers

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

We envision a church where people build a relationship
with God and each other.

Relationships transform everything!

*Please join us in the fellowship hall for lunch following worship today,
as we celebrate the new members of our church family.*