



WHITEHOUSE UMC

...to love, serve, and share Christ

THE 17th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 27, 2020—9:30 AM

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Dr. Sarah Roberts

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

UMH 139

*1. Praise to the Lord,
the Almighty,
the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him,
for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
now to his temple draw near;
join me in glad adoration!*

*2. Praise to the Lord,
who o'er all things
so wondrously reigning
bears thee on eagles' wings,
e'er in his keeping maintaining.
God's care enfolds
all, whose true good he upholds.
Hast thou not known his sustaining?*

*3. Praise to the Lord,
who doth prosper thy work
and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy
Here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew
what the Almighty can do,
who with his love doth befriend thee.*

*4. Praise to the Lord,
who doth nourish thy life
and restore thee,
fitting thee well
for the tasks that are ever before thee.
Then to thy need, God as a mother doth speed,
spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.*

*5. Praise to the Lord!
O let all that is in me
adore him!
All that hath life and breath,
come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
gladly forever adore him.*

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Words by Joachim Neander, vv. 1, 3, 5 trans. by Catherine Winkworth, v. 2 trans. by S. Paul Schilling, v. 4 trans. by Rupert E. Davies

Music from *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*, harm. by William Sterndale Bennett

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*AFFIRMATION

Prayer for the Mind of Jesus

UM Book of Worship 514

Let us remember Jesus: Who, though he was rich, became poor for our sakes and lived among us. Who was content to be subject to his parents, the child of a poor couple's home. Who lived a common life for thirty years, earning his living with his own hands and not declining any humble tasks. Whom the people heard gladly, for he understood their ways. **May this mind be in us which was in Christ Jesus.**

Let us remember Jesus: Who was mighty in deed, healing the sick and the disordered, using for others the powers he would not invoke for himself. Who refused to force people's allegiance. Who was Master and Lord to his disciples, but lived among them as their companion and as one who served. Whose desire was to do the will of God who sent him. **May this mind be in us which was in Christ Jesus.**

Let us remember Jesus: Who loved people, yet went away from them to pray, rose a great while before dawn, watched through the night, stayed in the wilderness, went up a mountain, sought a garden. Who, when a tempted disciple needed help, prayed for them. Who prayed for the forgiveness of those who rejected him, and for the perfecting of those who received him. Who observed the traditions, but defied convention that did not serve the purposes of God. Who hated the sins of pride and selfishness, of cruelty and impurity. **May this mind be in us which was in Christ Jesus.**

Let us remember Jesus: Who believed in people and never despaired of them. Who never lost heart in the face of disappointment. Who disregarded his own comfort and convenience, and thought of others' needs first, and was always kind, though he suffered much. Who, when he was reviled, uttered no harsh word in return, and when he suffered, did not threaten

retaliation. Who humbled himself and carried obedience to the point of death, even death on the cross, as a result of which God has highly exalted him.

May this mind be in us which was in Christ Jesus.

Let us unite in prayer that Christ may dwell in our hearts.

O Christ, our only Savior, dwell in us so deeply that we may go forth with the light of your hope in our eyes, and with your faith and love in our hearts. Amen. England, 20th Century, adapted

*RESPONSE

The Gloria Patri

UMH 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

“Gloria Patri” – words The Lesser Doxology, music by Charles Meineke CCLI #1550924

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

UMH 895

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Father, Lift Me Up

*OFFERING MOMENT & DOXOLOGY

UMH 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!

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” - words by Thomas Ken (adapt. Gilbert H. Viera), harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams
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*HYMN

Jesus is All the World To Me vv. 1, 3-4

UMH 469

*1. Jesus is all the word to me,
my life, my joy, my all;*

*he is my strength from day to day,
without him I would fall.*

*When I am sad, to him I go,
no other one can cheer me so;*

*when I am sad, he makes me glad,
he’s my friend.*

*3. Jesus is all the world to me,
and true to him I’ll be;*

*O how could I this friend deny,
when he’s so true to me?*

*Following him I know I’m right,
he watches o’er me day and night;*

*following him by day and night,
he’s my friend.*

*4. Jesus is all the world to me,
I want no better friend;*

*I trust him now, I’ll trust him when
life’s fleeting days shall end.*

*Beautiful life with such a friend,
beautiful life that has no end;*

*eternal life, eternal joy,
he’s my friend.*

“Jesus is All the World to Me” - words and music by Will L. Thompson
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*SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, *who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.* Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

This is the word of God for us, the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Empty

Rev. Trey Burns

THANKSGIVING FOR THE BIRTH OF CHARLOTTE GRACE MONTGOMERY

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN

Near to the Heart of God

UMH 472

1. There is a place of quiet rest, near to the heart of God; a place where sin cannot molest, near to the heart of God.
2. There is a place of comfort sweet, near to the heart of God; a place where we our Savior meet, near to the heart of God.
3. There is a place of full release, near to the heart of God; a place where all is joy and peace, near to the heart of God.

Refrain:

O Jesus, blest Redeemer, sent from the heart of God, hold us who wait before thee near to the heart of God.

“Near to the heart of God” – words and music by Cleland B. McAfee CCLI #155092

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Dr. Sarah Roberts

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

For anyone interested, our District Conference meeting will be held via Zoom at 2pm later today.

The WUMC Worship Committee will meet tomorrow, September 28, at 6:30 p.m. in Conner Hall.

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PRAYER LIST

The Weavers Sandra Walton Gaige Hendley Kristen Longfellow
Janice Dupree Andrea Harris Jason Krob Ryan Baron
The Wilkes The Loros Brenda Caps Lauren Lawler
Guy DeLaMarter Joyce Bammes Luke Shaeffer Bri Benoit
Harold Marshall Matt Lockwood Nathan Lane Betty Garner
Jeffrey Harland Teresa Mitchum Hughes The family and loved ones of Jerry Mitchum
Carolyn & Patrick McClain Bobbie Akers Our Community Bert Gardner
Carl Lintner Kelly Kea Our Schools Gene Ruelle
Becky Lee Crain Our Country Members of our military First Responders
Debby Baker Larry & Linda Hermon Our church family Our elected officials

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THIS WEEK AT WUMC

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Sunday School
10:30am – Conner Hall
Cub Scouts
3:00pm – Friendship Hall

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Worship Committee
6:30pm – Conner Hall
Cub Scouts
6:30pm – Pike & Friendship Halls

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Cub Scouts
6:30pm – Friendship Hall
Boy Scouts
7:00 pm – Pike Hall

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Bible Study
5:00pm – Conner Hall
Youth Group
6:00pm – Youth Room & Friendship Hall

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