

WELCOME TO WORSHIP
13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2022

ENTRANCE

GATHERING, WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS AND CONCERNS

✠ *PRELUDE (Sullivan)*

The Lost Chord

ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Every part of this earth is sacred.

**Every shining pine needle, every sandy shore,
every mist in the dark woods,
every clearing and humming insect is holy.**

*The rocky crest, the meadow, the beasts and all the people,
all belong to the same family. Teach your children that the
earth is our mother.*

**Whatever befalls the earth befalls the children of the
earth.**

We are part of the earth, and the earth is a part of us.

The rivers are our brothers, they quench our thirst.

**The perfumed flowers are our sisters,
the air is precious,**

for all of us share the same breath.

*The wind that gave our grandparents breath also receives their
last sigh.*

The wind gave our children the spirit of life.

This we know, the earth does not belong to us.

We belong to the earth.

This we know, all things are connected.

**Like the blood which unites one family, all things
are connected.**

Our God is the same God, whose compassion is equal for all.

**For we did not weave the web of life. We are merely a
strand in it.**

Whatever we do to the web we do to ourselves.

**Let us give thanks for the web and the circle that
connects us.**

Thanks be to God, the God of all.

*HYMN UMH 340

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

*OPENING PRAYER

O Lord,

open my eyes that I may see the needs of others;

open my ears that I may hear their cries;

open my heart so that they need not be without

succor;

**let me not be afraid to defend the weak because of the
anger
of the strong,
nor afraid to defend the poor because of the anger of
the rich.**

**Show me where love and hope and faith are needed,
and use me to bring them to those places.**

**And so open my eyes and my ears
that I may this coming day be able to do some work of
peace for thee. Amen.**

✠ *DOXOLOGY UMH 95

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Jesus Christ be with you,

And also with you.

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

✠ CHILDREN'S TIME

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 12:22-31

MESSAGE

Just Do Your Best

INVITATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN UMH 474

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

*BENEDICTION

*FOLLOWING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

✠ *POSTLUDE (*Martin*)

Fanfare on an Original Theme

*Those who are able, please stand

☼ = 8:45 am service, ✠ = 11:00 am service

Welcome! We are so glad you chose to worship with us today and we are excited about all the great work God is doing in and through our congregation! The power of God changes lives, and we are all part of that change. When we choose to allow the Lord to lead and guide us, the amazing happens. We invite you to join us in the ongoing journey of faith that yields amazing things.

**We would like to sincerely thank the church
“cleanup crew” for their hard work and dedication.
You are greatly appreciated.**

Facilities:

Bristol Glen: Ethel Klingenberg Harmony: Dan Wilson
Hundley Center: Jo Carol Cole
Petersburg Home for Ladies: Marjorie Grammar, Doris Peters
Pineview: Ann Nichols, Jerry Reynolds
Missionaries: Guthrie Family and Annie Judd Wall

KNOWN PRAYER CONCERNS

| Members at Home: | Loved Ones and Community: |
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| Herbert Binford | Afghan Refugees |
| Shirley Carrillo | First Responders |
| Anne Cole | Hospital Workers |
| Paul, Nancy & Peggy Conner | Our Leaders & Our Nation |
| Donald Curtis | Russian & Ukraine Conflict |
| Herbert Farrar | Storm victims |
| Ann Hardin | Teachers and students |
| Lynn Haskins | Royall Boswell |
| Barbara Hudson | Christopher Brack |
| Billy Judd | Nina Hofer |
| Evelyn Lambert | Marsha R. Smith |
| Sam Moore | |
| Lewis Nichols | |
| Sarah Reynolds | |
| Roger Tanner | |
| Herbert & Deborah Tuck | |
| Martin & Shirley Wetherbee | |
| Dylan Willis | |

NOTES OF INTEREST:

We are in need of volunteers to sign up as ushers to help with future worship services. If you are able and interested please contact the office.



Church Office Hours This Week

Tuesday– Thursday: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Office phone: 434-447-4761

THIS WEEK

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| Today: | 8:45 am | Worship & guest speaker Annie Judd Wall |
| | 9:45 am | Sunday School |
| | 11:00 am | Worship |
| Monday: | All Day | Office Closed |
| Tuesday: | 1:00 pm | Upper Room |
| | 7:00 pm | SPRC meeting |
| | 7:30 pm | Synago |
| Wednesday: | 7:00 pm | Choir |
| | 8:00 pm | AA Group |
| Friday: | 8:00 pm | Friday Sobriety Group |
| Saturday: | 8:00 am | Community Sale Upper Room |

Next Week's Sermon:
How Do We Repent?
Luke 15:1-10

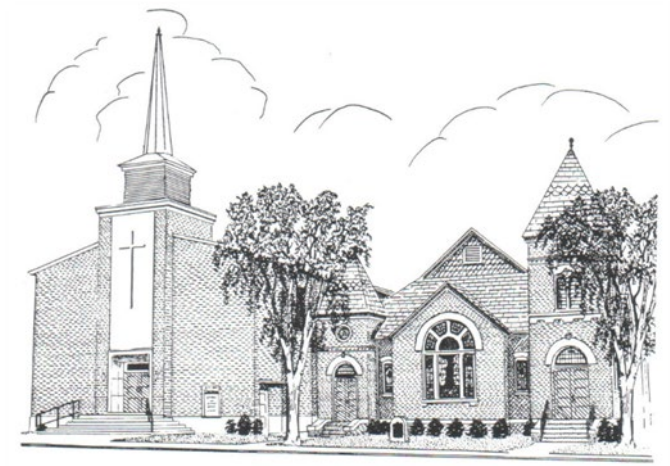
UPCOMING

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| September 12 | UMW/UMF Meeting 10:00 am |
| September 13 | Finance Committee |
| September 14 | Prayer Shawl Ministry |
| September 14 | Lay Leadership Committee Meeting |
| September 18 | Church Council |
| October 8 | U.M.M. Brunswick Stew |
| October 10 | UMW/UMF Meeting |
| October 10 | Newsletter Article Submission Deadline |
| October 20 | Streamed Charge Conference |

TODAY

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| Liturgist: | Mickey Moore |
| Teller: | Julia Taylor |
| Music Director/Organist: | Jimmie Crowder, Jr. |
| Worship Technician: | <i>This could be you!</i> |
| Children's Message: | Kathy Reese |
| Bishop: | Sharma D. Lewis |
| District Superintendent: | James H. Carey, Jr. |

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