



Centenary

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 14, 2022

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

(As the Prelude begins, you are invited to enter a time of prayer and meditation as we prepare to worship God together.)

The Prelude

Peace

Horace Silver

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The Call to Worship

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song!

People: We sing a song of peace and hope!

Leader: Sing to the Lord a song of strength.

People: Our strength is in the Lord of hosts!

Leader: Sing to the Lord a song of joy!

People: Our song is a song of service and faithfulness. Amen.

The Hymn No. 578

God of Love and God of Power

UNSER HERRSCHER

1. God of love and God of power,
grant us in this burning hour
grace to ask these gifts of thee,
daring hearts and spirits free.
God of love and God of power,
thou hast called us for this hour.
2. We are not the first to be
banished by our fears from thee;
give us courage, let us hear
heaven's trumpets ringing clear.
God of love and God of power,
thou hast called us for this hour.
3. All our lives belong to thee,
thou our final loyalty;
slaves are we whene'er we share
that devotion anywhere.
God of love and God of power,
thou hast called us for this hour.
4. God of love and God of power,
make us worthy of this hour;
offering lives if it's thy will,
keeping free our spirits still.
God of love and God of power,
thou hast called us for this hour.

The Opening Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

**All: Lord of light and life, you have called us this day
to open our hearts, our minds, our spirits
to hear your words of encouragement, healing, and hope.
Give us patience and willingness to serve you in all that we do.
In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.**

The Scripture Lesson

Luke 12:49-56

The Sermon

Jesus—Prince of Peace or Trouble Maker?

Dr. Matt Bates

The Offertory Prayer

The Offertory Duet

Lynn LaBarre and Kate Hundley

Come, Let Us Fix Our Eyes on Jesus

Kenneth T. Kosche

Come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,
the author and perfecter of our faith,
who for the joy set before him, endured the cross,
scorning its shame,
and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:2

The Prayers of the People

The Silent Prayer

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer No. 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 that 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.**

The Hymn No. 2237

As a Fire Is Meant for Burning

BEECH SPRING

1. As a fire is meant for burning with a bright and warming flame,
so the church is meant for mission, giving glory to God's name.
Not to preach our creeds or customs, but to build a bridge of care,
we join hands across the nations, finding neighbors everywhere.

2. We are learners; we are teachers; we are pilgrims on the way.
We are seekers; we are givers; we are vessels made of clay.
By our gentle, loving actions we would show that Christ is light.
In a humble, listening Spirit we would live to God's delight.
3. As a green bud in the springtime is a sign of life renewed,
so may we be signs of oneness 'mid earth's peoples, many hued.
As a rainbow lights the heavens when a storm is past and gone,
may our lives reflect the radiance of God's new and glorious dawn.

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The Benediction

The Postlude

God of Love and God of Power

Wolfgang Hiltscher

The altar flowers this morning are given in loving memory of their parents, Oscar & Kathryn Thomsen and John & Earlene Pippin by Glenn and Peggy Thomsen

Reminder! Help us know that you worshiped with us this morning by signing the online attendance pad [here](#).

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped us this morning and throughout the week to make this worship possible.

Scriptures

Luke 12:13-21

The Parable of the Rich Fool

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." ¹⁴ But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵ And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." ¹⁶ Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷ And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' ¹⁸ Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' ²⁰ But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

The Faith of Other Israelite Heroes

²⁹ By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³² And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵ Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶ Others suffered mocking and flogging and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were stoned to death; they were sawn in two; they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— ³⁸ of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹ Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰ since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

The Example of Jesus

12 Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Announcements

JOIN US TO VIEW *THE CHOSEN* – Join us Sunday mornings, following our 10:00am worship service, as we will gather in the social hall to watch *The Chosen*. *The Chosen* is a multi-season television portrayal of the life of Jesus. The series has been widely acclaimed.

The Chosen carries the character development of House of Cards or The Crown, but with an authenticity to the biblical narrative like nothing I've ever witnessed in faith-based media.

~ Caleb Parke

Come grab a cup of coffee, perhaps even bring a friend, and join us for fellowship, inspiration, and learning!

PECAN SALE - It's that time again! Get your orders in and support the United Methodist Women! We are ordering in early September so we will get them in early November, as soon as they are harvested. To order, contact Leah Hundley.

No price increase this year! Still just \$12/bag.

Mammoth Halves
Chocolate covered

Medium pieces
Dark chocolate covered

Cinnamon glazed.