



# Centenary

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**August 28, 2022**

**Twelfth 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**

*I Love to Tell the Story*

William G. Fischer

**The Call to Worship**

Leader: All who exalt themselves will be humbled.

**People: And those who humble themselves will be exalted.**

Leader: God invites us all to the banquet.

**People: Honored by God's welcome, we gather by grace.**

**The Hymn No. 2236**

*Gather Us In*

GATHER US IN

1. Here in this place new light is streaming,  
now is the darkness vanished away,  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings,  
brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,  
gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken,  
we shall arise at the sound of our name.
2. We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,  
we are the old who yearn for your face,  
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,  
called to be light to the whole human race.  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,  
gather us in, the proud and the strong;  
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,  
give us the courage to enter the song.
3. Here we will take the wine and the water,  
here we will take the bread of new birth,  
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,  
call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,  
give us to eat the bread that is you;  
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion  
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.
4. Not in the dark of buildings confining,  
not in some heaven, light years away,  
but here in this place the new light is shining,  
now is the Kingdom, now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever,

gather us in and make us your own;  
gather us in, all peoples together,  
fire of love in our flesh and our bones.

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### **The Opening Prayer**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

**All: Savior God, forgive us when we jockey for the highest position  
and most honorable seat at your table.**

**All are welcome, but we want to know who was invited first.**

**We categorize and rank according to the world's standards, not yours.**

**Forgive our prideful ways.**

**Forgive our lust for prestige and power.**

**Return us to Christ, our model of humility and our guide in faith. Amen.**

### **The Scripture Lesson**

Luke 14:1, 7-14

### **The Sermon**

*Table Talk*

Dr. Matt Bates

### **The Offertory Prayer**

#### **The Offertory Solo**

*At the time of the Banquet*

Lynn Kotrady, mezzo-soprano

Gerhard Krapf

At the time of the banquet  
the master sent his servant to say to those who had been invited,  
“Come, for all is now ready.”  
But they all alike began to make excuses.  
And he said: “Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city  
and bring in the poor and the maimed and the blind and the lame.  
Go out quickly to the highways and hedges,  
and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled.  
For I tell you that none of those men who were invited  
shall taste my banquet.  
Come, for all is now ready.”

Luke 14:16-24

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### **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. 166**

*All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine*

SINE NOMINE

1. All praise to thee, for thou. O King divine,  
didst yield the glory that of right was thine,  
that in our troubled hearts thy grace might shine: Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. Thou cam'st to us in lowliness of thought;  
by thee the outcast and the poor were sought,  
and by thy death was God's salvation wrought: Alleluia! Alleluia!
3. Let this mind be in us which was in thee,  
who wast a servant that we might be free,  
humbling thyself to death on Calvary: Alleluia! Alleluia!
4. Wherefore, by God's eternal purpose,  
thou art high exalted o'er all creatures now,  
and given the name to which all knees shall bow: Alleluia! Alleluia!
5. Let every tongue confess with one accord  
in heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord;  
and God eternal be by all adored: Alleluia! Alleluia!

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**The Benediction**

**The Postlude**

*Postlude on SINE NOMINE*

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Hugo Gehrke

*The altar flowers this morning are given by Pat Shipley  
in loving memory of her brother Tom Shipley on his birthday.*

*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 14:1

### Jesus Heals a Crippled Woman

14 On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, they were watching him closely.

## Luke 14:7-14

### Humility and Hospitality

<sup>7</sup> When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. <sup>8</sup> “When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host, <sup>9</sup> and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup> But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. <sup>11</sup> For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

<sup>12</sup> He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers and sisters or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. <sup>13</sup> But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. <sup>14</sup> And you will be blessed because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

## *Announcements*

**NEW WORSHIP TIME!** Starting Sunday, September 4, we will worship together at 10:30am. We look forward to seeing you there!

**CHURCH PICNIC** – Sunday, September 11 immediately following the 10:30am worship. We are closing the street and celebrating Fall! Picnic meat provide – please bring a side to share. Child care provided. No sign up required!

**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.

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

- Mammoth Halves
- Medium pieces
- Chocolate covered
- Dark chocolate covered
- Cinnamon glazed.

To order, please contact the church office.

**JOIN US TO VIEW *THE CHOSEN*** – Join us Sunday mornings, following our 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. Come grab a cup of coffee, perhaps even bring a friend, and join us for fellowship, inspiration, and learning!