

11:00 a.m. Service

The Work of the People for August 20, 2023

Gathering For Praise

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Friends, let us worship God today, for God is great-

God has blessed us with life, with faith, and with community.

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God forgives us, and encourages us, and loves us.

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Because we are God's people.

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Choral Call to Worship 'How Lovely, Lord' Chancel Choir

***Hymn of Praise** 'For the Beauty of the Earth' UMH 92

***Psalter Reading** Psalm 133 UMH 850

*Gloria Patri

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.

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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

Anthem 'O Love' Hagenberg

Children's Discipleship Moment Gregg Weatherly

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Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading Matthew 18: 21-35 NRSV Teresa Hrab

***Hymn of Preparation** 'Come Ye Sinners Poor and Needy' UMH 340

Message The Hard Work of Forgiveness Tony Snyder

Responding to God's Word

***The Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles Creed UMH 881

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic ** church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

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Offertory

Doxology UMH 94

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

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Going Forth to Serve God's World

***Hymn of Sending** 'Amazing Grace' UMH 378

Sending Forth

*Worshiping here for the first time?
Stop by one of our Hospitality Stations on your way out of the sanctuary for a welcome bag and a greeting from one of our Hospitality Team members.*

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS: The Faith We Sing Hymnal

Choir Director/Pianist Jann Howell
Guest Musician: Barbara Rich

Stewardship Report

| One Fund Monthly Goal 2023 | \$45,020 | Date | Online | In-Person | Sunday School |
|----------------------------|----------|------|--------|-----------|---------------|
| | | 8.06 | 43 | 193 | - |
| One Fund Actual MTD | \$8,505 | 8.13 | TBD | TBD | - |
| Deposits week ended | \$TBD | | | | |

Building Project Fund as of June
\$1,330,449

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Prayer

HOMEBOUND

George Adamson
James White
Dee Hughes
Pam Miller
Patrick O'Dell
Reggy O'Dell
Frances Lockaby
Barbara Floyd
Martha Foster
Mary Greene
Robert Kay
Fred Dyal

TRUMC

Myra Robitalle
Richard Goodall
Sandy Bailey

FRIENDS

Bill Szigeti, Barbara Allen's brother
Becky Deskins

Submit a prayer request to our Prayer Team:

prayer@trmethodist.net

(Please indicate if you would like it to be on

TRUMC is a Stephen Ministry Congregation. If you could benefit from having a Stephen Minister, please contact Patti Crenshaw (864)380-8421 or Dave McAda (864)380-5867

Pray for Peace in Ukraine and for all affected by the war



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***Song of Sending** 'Mighty to Save' Ben Fielding, Reuben Morgan

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Psalm 100 Band Director: Bryan Catron

TRAIL GUIDE

Sunday, August 20, 2023
Message: The Hard Work of Forgiveness

Matthew 18: 21-35 NRSV

Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. "For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."--

This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God!**

Trail Blazes (thoughts and ideas to guide you)



*The Church on the Trail
Walking with Christ,
Serving God,
Changing Lives.*

August 20, 2023

12th Sunday after Pentecost

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8:45 a.m. Service

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***Song of Praise** 'Come Ye Sinners' Dan Hamilton, et al

***Psalter Reading** Psalm 133 UMH 850

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The Lord's Prayer

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Upcoming Events and Announcements

For full events schedule, see the monthly *Pew & Pulpit* Newsletter (paper or online)

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Stephen Ministry

Meets **today** at 2:30PM in FH 11 and ED 105
See Newsletter for more details

Discipleship Sunday will be Sunday, August 27th

This is the day that we will celebrate all our 3rd graders with their 3rd grade Bibles during both worship services. At 10AM, all Sunday School classes of all ages will meet in the Sanctuary for "Celebrate Sunday School!" We will recognize our teachers, our classes, and our children and youth who are being promoted to the next class level. If you are not involved in Sunday School yet, then this would be a great time to meet our teachers and classes!

Cottage Meetings

During the month of **September**, we will be having Cottage Meetings in order to spend time getting to know Pastor Brian and each other. We will also be sharing our hopes and dreams for Travelers Rest United Methodist Church. These Cottage Meetings will be held in people's homes. Dates, times, and location will be announced soon.

TR Fellows

TR Fellows meets monthly. Open to retired men in the congregation, it was formed to promote easy fellowship among men at this stage of their lives. The monthly meeting format includes free-ranging discussion of topics of general interest, the sharing of personal histories, and the viewing of TED Talks. Tr Fellows meet on Thursday, **September 14th** (2nd Thursday of the month) at 10:30AM in the parlor of the Family Life Center. Contact Charlie Crenshaw (864) 380-9075 or charliecrenshaw3@gmail.com

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