

CELEBRATION SUNDAY
October 9, 2022 ~ 10 a.m.
IN PERSON & LIVE STREAM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We fulfill our Mission to "make disciples for Jesus Christ"
by following our Pathway:

Living our faith.
Nurturing families.
Serving our communities.

***GREETING**

Please welcome and share your name with all close to you.

MUSIC FOR GATHERING

Susan Finger
Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor Boruff
"Thank You, God!" by Kathleen Long Bostrom

ALL: Thank you, God! Amen!

***HYMN** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" #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 eagle's wings,
e'er in his keeping maintaining.
God's care enfolds all, whose true good he upholds.
Hast thou not known his sustaining?

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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Nunley

INVITATION TO GODLY PLAY

Children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to Godly
Play and First Kids. Follow the banner to continue
children's worship.

TIME FOR PRAYER

Rev. Dale Mendenhall

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

**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

Joyful Sound
Bless the Lord

OFFERING TO GOD

Pastor Boruff

INVITATION

***DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below; Praise
him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father,
Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

ANTHEM

Joyful Sound
I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing

***GOSPEL**

Rev. Dale Mendenhall

John 4:31-38 (MSG)

³¹ In the meantime, the disciples pressed him, "Rabbi,
eat. Aren't you going to eat?" ³² He told them, "I have
food to eat you know nothing about." ³³ The disciples
were puzzled. "Who could have brought him food?" ³⁴-
³⁵ Jesus said, "The food that keeps me going is that I do
the will of the One who sent me, finishing the work he
started. As you look around right now, wouldn't you say
that in about four months it will be time to harvest?
Well, I'm telling you to open your eyes and take a good
look at what's right in front of you. These Samaritan
fields are ripe. It's harvest time! ³⁶⁻³⁸ "The Harvester
isn't waiting. He's taking his pay, gathering in this grain
that's ripe for eternal life. Now the Sower is arm in arm
with the Harvester, triumphant. That's the truth of the
saying, 'This one sows, that one harvests.' I sent you to
harvest a field you never worked. Without lifting a
finger, you have walked in on a field worked long and
hard by others."

Matthew 9:35-38 (NLT)

³⁵ Jesus traveled through all the towns and villages of
that area, teaching in the synagogues and announcing
the Good News about the Kingdom. And he healed
every kind of disease and illness. ³⁶ When he saw the
crowds, he had compassion on them because they were
confused and helpless, like sheep without a
shepherd. ³⁷ He said to his disciples, "The harvest is
great, but the workers are few. ³⁸ So pray to the Lord
who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more
workers into his fields."

This is God's Word for God's people today.
Thanks be to God!

***HYMN**

"To God Be the Glory"

#98

1. To God be the glory, great things he hath done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the lifegate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

3. Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath
done, and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. *Refrain*

SERMON

Rooted in Love: Harvest Pastor Boruff

***HYMN**

"Come, Ye Thankful People Come" #694

1. Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home;
all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin.
God our Maker doth provide for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home.

4. Even so, Lord, quickly come,
bring thy final harvest home; gather thou thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin, there, forever purified,
in thy presence to abide; come, with all thine angels,
come, raise the glorious harvest home.

***DEDICATION OF PLEDGED GIVING**

Jim Ault, Lay Leader

ONE: Almighty God, we give you thanks as we
gather the promises of support in the coming
year for your work through this church.

**ALL: Hear us, O God, as we give you our
thanks and praise.**

ONE: For those who are responding to your creative
grace by pledging for the first time,

ALL: We give you thanks and praise.

ONE: For those who are tithing, and even exceeding
a tithe,

ALL: We give you thanks and praise.

ONE: For those who give their personal best to
God's work,

ALL: We give you thanks and praise.

ONE: For those whose lives are in transition or
turmoil and who feel they cannot pledge, but
who continue to be a vital part of our
community,

**ALL: We give you thanks and praise and we
pray for calm in their lives.**

ONE: May all that we are and all that we give glorify God's Harvest that all may know the grace of God and the love of Christ.

ALL: **In the name of Jesus Christ, we commit our lives and our treasures to God's Harvest. Amen!**

***BENEDICTION**

***POST-SERVICE MUSIC** Susan Finger
Fanfare & March on "St. Theodolph"

TREE

Rooted in Love

Add your leaf to the tree by answering this question:
How do you participate in God's Harvest?

THANK YOU FOR THESE WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY
Music: Joyful Sound
Worship Leader: Rev Dale Mendenhall

WELCOME

Welcome to worship on Sundays and all programs & ministries throughout the week!

Weekly Prayer Requests

- Pray for Kenny & Connie Hall, Charlie Jones
- Pray for these cluster churches:
First UMC: Pastor Corinne Boruff; Pastor Don Deena Johnson; Pastor Peggy Nunley
Fifth St. UMC: Rev. Bob Case
- Pray for children & staff at Gateway Childcare: Monkey Classroom

Announcements

- 130 meals served at the Community Café last Sunday. It was a blessing to serve the community.
- PRAYER BEARS—These are reminders of God's love for someone in need—sadness, illness or stress. These will be available every Sunday. Thanks to Dee Ann Williams for coordinating this ministry of care!
- GUESTS: All guests have a gift waiting for you at the Welcome Station in the lobby. Please help yourself! We are glad you are here today. Let us know how we can help you.
- GIVING TREE—take a pencil or apple "ornament" off the Gateway Giving tree. See the tree in the lobby for details.
- **TODAY** — CELEBRATION PITCH-IN MEAL: Join us in Fellowship Hall after Worship for our Stewardship Celebration!! There will be plenty for all!

Weekly Schedule

Sun 10/9

9:00 am	Wired Word	Room 220	Downtown
10:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary	Downtown
11:30 am	Celebration Pitch-in Meal	Fellowship Hall	Downtown
2:00 pm	Charge Conference	New Horizons	
2:00 pm	Worship		Primrose
4:30 pm	Food at First	Narthex	Downtown

Mon 10/10

10:00 am	GriefShare	North/South Parlor	Downtown
5:00 pm	Exercise		Davis Park
6:00 pm	AA Big Book Study	East/West Parlor	Downtown
6:30 pm	Alpha Brass Rehearsal		Downtown

Tues 10/11

4:30 pm	AAYC Rehearsals		Downtown
6:00 pm	Daisy Troop	Youth Room	Downtown

Wed 10/12

7:00 am	Rotary	N/S Parlor	Downtown
8:00 am	Energy Assistance	Door # 2	Downtown
8:30 am	Helping Hands Pantry	Door #3	
3:00 pm	Coffee with Corinne		Facebook
5:00 pm	Exercise Class		Davis Park
6:00 pm	Wesley Bells	Bell Room	Downtown
6:25 pm	Children's Choir	G120	Downtown
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir	Choir Room	Downtown

Thurs 10/13 no church activities

Fri 10/14

9:00 am	Bible Study	North/South	Downtown
12:00 pm	Downtown Devotion		Facebook

Sat 10/15

8:00 am	Men's Breakfast	North/South Parlor	Downtown
10:00 am	AA Meeting	Fellowship Hall	Downtown

Sun 10/16

9:00 am	Wired Word	Room 220	Downtown
9:00 am	Trustees Meeting	Conference Room	Downtown
10:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary	Downtown
11:30 am	3-4-5 Club		Downtown
2:00 pm	Worship		Primrose
4:30 pm	Community Café	Fellowship Hall	Downtown

We give thanks for:

Ushers: Bill Kahle, Richard and Dorinda Cassiday

Greeters: Becky Ball, Debbie Manifold, Kay McConnell, Kaylynn McConnell



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Ministers: Congregation

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