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Bulletin – October 19, 2025

Persistent Faith

Choosing Faith Worship Series, Week 3

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship



**** P – Pastor Bold – C: Congregation responds ****

P: We have gathered once again, Lord of all and Lord of us.

C: We come to lift our prayers, and to sing your praises once again.

P: We come to ask and hope and long to see your justice in the land.

C: We worship in that hope and will work in that Spirit.

Our Statement of Faith – The Apostles Creed p. 881 UMH

**** All to recite in unison ****

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

The Gloria Patri

p. 70 UMH

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.*

Opening Hymn – Sweet Hour of Prayer p. 496 UMH

Sharing Our Praises & Prayers

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Offering – Ushers come forward

Doxology p. 95 UMH

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

Old Testament Reading – Psalm 119:97- 104 (CEB)

**** L – Leader Bold – C: Congregation responds ****

L: ⁹⁷ I love your Instruction! I think about it constantly.

**C: ⁹⁸ Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies
because it is always with me.**

L: ⁹⁹ I have greater insight than all my teachers because I
contemplate your laws.

**C: ¹⁰⁰ I have more understanding than the elders because I guard
your precepts.**

L: ¹⁰¹ I haven't set my feet on any evil path so I can make sure to keep
your word.

**C: ¹⁰² I haven't deviated from any of your rules because you are the
one who has taught me.**

L: ¹⁰³ Your word is so pleasing to my taste buds - it's sweeter than

honey in my mouth!

C: ¹⁰⁴ I'm studying your precepts - that's why I hate every false path.

Hymn – Thy Word is a Lamp unto My Feet

p. 601 UMH

Gospel Reading – Luke 18:1-8 (CEB)

¹ Jesus was telling them a parable about their need to pray continuously and not to be discouraged. ² He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected people. ³ In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him, asking, ‘Give me justice in this case against my adversary.’ ⁴ For a while he refused but finally said to himself, I don’t fear God or respect people, ⁵ but I will give this widow justice because she keeps bothering me. Otherwise, there will be no end to her coming here and embarrassing me.” ⁶ The Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ Won’t God provide justice to his chosen people who cry out to him day and night? Will he be slow to help them? ⁸ I tell you, he will give them justice quickly. But when the Human One comes, will he find faithfulness on earth?”

Sermon – Persistent Faith

Closing Hymn - Wonderful Words of Life p. 600 UMH

Benediction & Commission

May you continually wrestle with prayer. May you beseech the door of heaven with shameless boldness. May your prayers produce, in you, a countenance of joy, a gracious demeanor, and a peaceful heart And may the God of hope, fill you with all peace, that you may abound in hope, assured that your prayers are heard by a loving and gracious Father.

Lectionary Readings beginning October 20, 2025

Theme: Humble Faith

Joel 2:23-32 | Psalm 65 | 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 | Luke 18:9-14

Announcements

- Gifts have been given to the glory of God and in memory of Frances V. Gough by Jackie Seats, Mike & Toni Jones, Pat Duffy, James & Martha DeHart, Virginia "Gingi" Parker, Jerry & Pat Kight.
- A gift has been given to the glory of God and in memory of Rosie Burton by Jackie Seats, and Susie & Randy Edwards
- Trunk or Treat will be held in the church parking lot again this year on October 26th from 3 to 5 PM. Get those costumes ready and gather some goodies for the kiddies.
- Faye Seats will be collecting money for poinsettias to be placed in the sanctuary for Christmas. If you wish to purchase one or more, in memory or in honor of a loved one, or just to decorate the sanctuary, please place your order and payment with Faye no later than November 2, 2025. The cost of each poinsettia is \$16.00. Please make checks payable to Union UMC. These beautiful poinsettias will be placed in the church by December 7, 2025, the first Sunday of Advent.

Prayer List

Steve and Lena Gough

All who are serving our country at home and abroad

Church Family

Wayne Bumgardner
Frank Dalton
Sherry Doub
Family of Frances V. Gough

Wanda Needham
Barbara Perryman
Frances Sisk

Church Friend / Extended Family

Tommy Bost
Tammy Seats Boyd
Jimmy & Deborah Branch
Jane Bullin
Leisha Carpenter
Joe Dean
Mack Edwards
Mary File
Garry Harbin
Kathy Harbin
Lynda Harper
Ronald Howell
Charles Kurfees
David Joyner
Kevin McBride

Kevin McDaniel
Mark Megela
Ronnie Mudd
Jay D. Prevette
Vivian Royal
Hal Seats
Phillip Seats
Mary Ellen Smith
Kim Triplette
Mark Wall
Ann Wallace
Robert and Susan Warren
Jeremy Wilson
Savannah Wooten

October Birthdays

Cindy Ball Toshie	5	Serena Manring	16
Carlin Burton	7	Mark Bumgardner	25
Cailin Tovah	8	Cary Disher	28
Marshall Kellam	11	Brittany Pitts Mote	28
Debbie Wall Cooke	14	Makinzie Mote	28

Wesley Covenant Prayer

I am no longer my own, but thine. Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt. Put me to doing, put me to suffering.

Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee, exalted for thee, or brought low for thee. Let me be full, let me be empty.

Let me have all things, let me have nothing.

I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal.

And now, O glorious and blessed God,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.

And the covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven.

Amen!

SERMON NOTES

- Where did you hear God speaking to you in today's message?
- What main thought(s) can you use this coming week?
- Did you hear anything new and/or different from the scripture or the message today?
- What reaffirmed or challenged you?
- Additional thoughts and/or ideas?