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Sunday Service Bulletin

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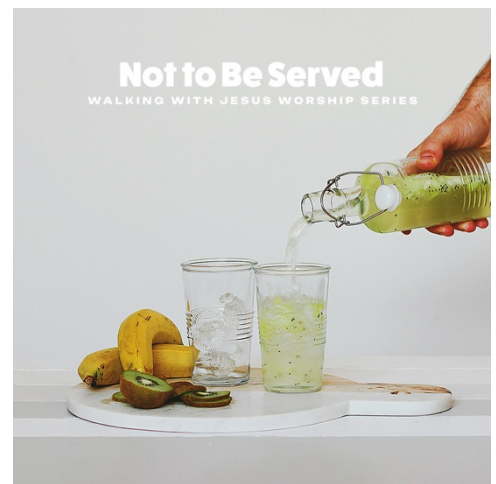
Not to Be Served

Walking With Jesus Worship Series – Week 3

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship



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

P: Welcome all who long to encounter Jesus, the one who loves, tends, sustains, and saves us.

C: Jesus said, “the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve.”

P: Welcome all who walk the halls of power, who feel pushed and pulled to fight for position, status, and authority.

C: Jesus said, “the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve.”

P: Welcome all who feel burned out, who have given more than they have day in and day out and long for someone to notice that you, too, need help and support.

C: Jesus said, “the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve.”

P: Welcome, followers of Christ, who came to serve and show God’s abundant love and grace among us.

C: We come to worship Jesus who shows us that serving is the fruit of our love and being served by one another is the source of our power as the Body of Christ. Amen!

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 – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee p. 89 UMH
vv. 1 & 3

Sharing Our Praises & Prayers

Pastoral 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.*

Psalm Reading – Psalm (NRSVUE)

**** L (Leader) C (Congregation) ****

L: ¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, you are very great.
You are clothed with honor and majesty,

C: ² wrapped in light as with a garment.

You stretch out the heavens like a tent;

L: ³ you set the beams of your chambers on the waters; you make
the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind;

**C: ⁴ you make the winds your messengers, fire and flame
your ministers.**

L: ⁵ You set the earth on its foundations, so that it shall never be
shaken.

**C: ⁶ You cover it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood
above the mountains.**

L: ⁷ At your rebuke they flee; at the sound of your thunder they
take to flight.

**C: ⁸ They rose up to the mountains, ran down to the valleys
to the place that you appointed for them.**

L: ⁹ You set a boundary that they may not pass, so that they might
not again cover the earth.

**C: ²⁴ O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have
made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.**

L: ^{35C} Bless the Lord, O my soul.

C: Praise the Lord!

Congregational Hymn – Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
p. 103 UMH vv. 1 & 4

New Testament Reading – Mark 10:35-45 (NRSVUE)

³⁵ James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶ And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” ³⁷ And they said to him, “Appoint us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.”³⁸ But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” ³⁹ They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized you will be baptized, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to appoint, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” ⁴¹ When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴² So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³ But it is not so among you; instead, whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life a ransom for many.”

Sermon – Not to Be Served

Closing Hymn – Blessed Assurance p. 369 UMH

Benediction & Commission

Brothers and sisters, go today in the blessing of Jesus Christ, who challenges us to share our love through service and receive love through the service others, binding us together as a community through holy interdependence. Amen!

Lectionary Readings for the week beginning October 21st:

- Job 42:1-6, 10-17
- Hebrews 7:23-28
- Psalm 34:1-8, 19-22
- Mark 10:46-52

Announcements

- **The Union UMC Annual Charge Conference will be held October 29, 2024 at 5 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan to attend.**
- Faye Seats will be collecting money from all those who wish to place a poinsettia in the sanctuary in memory or in honor of a loved one. These beautiful flowers adorn the sanctuary throughout Advent and Christmas each year. The cost of a poinsettia is \$16.00. Please see Faye no later than Sunday, November 3 to place your order. Please tell her when you place the order how you want the memorial or honorarium to appear in the bulletin. The poinsettia will be placed in the sanctuary by December 1, 2024 which is the first Sunday in Advent.
- The link to donate to the relief fund efforts provided by and supported by UMCOR and the Western North Carolina Conference of the UMC is <https://wnc-reg.brtapp.com/br/HurricaneReliefDonations2018>
If you prefer to pay by check, you can make the check payable
To **WNCC Treasurer**, note Disaster Response in the memo line and mail to:

Western North Carolina Conference
P.O. Box 2757
Huntersville, NC 28070-2757
Attn: Carol Bateman
- Boo! Save the Date. Trunk or Treat returns to Union on October 27th at 4 to 5:30 PM. Come with your trunk decorated and loaded with goodies. Remember, this is the fashion event of the year. Dress to scare.

- Congratulations to Tim Disher who is the 2024 deserving recipient of the Union UMC Laity Service Award. Thanks, Tim, for all you do for the church and community. **The District Awards Program will take place at Lewisville United Methodist Church today, October 20, 2024 at 2:00 PM.** We all are invited.

Prayer List

Military / Missionary

Steve and Lena Gough

All who are serving our country at home and abroad

Church Family

Wayne Bumgardner

Frank Dalton

Sherry Doub

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

Glenna Culler

Joe Dean

Amanda Doub

Ruby Driver

Mack Edwards

Joanne Everhart

Mary File

Eddie Haire

Garry Harbin

Kathy Harbin

Lynda Harper

Amber Lambert

Jeannette Lanier

Kevin McBride

Kevin McDaniel

Mark Megela

Family of Marie Parrish

Dawn Proctor

Jay D. Pevette

Vivian Royal

Mary Ellen Smith

Mark Wall

Ann Wallace

Robert and Susan Warren

Savannah Wooten

October Birthdays

Frances V. Gough	2	Mark Bumgardner	25
Cindy Ball Toshie	5	Cary Disher	28
Carlin Burton	7	Brittany Pitts Mote	28
Marshall Kellam	11	Mackenzie Mote	28
Debbie Wall Cooke	14	Dean Brown	31
Serena Manring	16		

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!