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Bulletin – October 5, 2025

Faith to Change

Choosing Faith Worship Series, Week 1

World Communion Sunday 2025

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

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

L: Destruction and violence are everywhere; strife and contention are all around

C: The needs of the world are so great; O Lord, increase our faith.

L: The law is slack, and justice does not prevail.

C: The needs of the world are so great; O Lord, increase our faith.

L: How many threats surround us; warfare, homelessness, loneliness, loss.

C: The needs of the world are so great, but you, O God, are greater still – the One in whom all things are possible.

All: O Lord, increase our faith in you!

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 – God of Love and God of Power p. 578 UMH

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.*

Old Testament Reading – Psalm 137 (CEB)

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

**L: ¹ Alongside Babylon's streams, there we sat down, crying
because we remembered Zion.**

**C: ² We hung our lyres up in the trees there ³because that's
where our captors asked us to sing; our tormentors requested**

songs of joy: “Sing us a song about Zion!” they said.

L: ⁴ But how could we possibly sing the Lord’s song on foreign soil?

C: ⁵ Jerusalem! If I forget you, let my strong hand wither!

L: ⁶ Let my tongue stick to the roof of my mouth if I don’t remember you, if I don’t make Jerusalem my greatest joy.

C: ⁷ Lord, remember what the Edomites did on Jerusalem’s dark day: “Rip it down, rip it down! All the way to its foundations!” they yelled.

L: ⁸ Daughter Babylon, you destroyer, a blessing on the one who pays you back the very deed you did to us!

C: ⁹ A blessing on the one who seizes your children and smashes them against the rock!

Hymn – Close To Thee

p. 407 UMH

Gospel Reading – Luke 17:5-10 (CEB)

⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” ⁶ The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you. ⁷ “Would any of you say to your servant, who had just come in from the field after plowing or tending sheep, ‘Come! Sit down for dinner’? ⁸ Wouldn’t you say instead, ‘Fix my dinner. Put on the clothes of a table servant and wait on me while I eat and drink. After that, you can eat and drink’? ⁹ You won’t thank the servant because the servant did what you asked, will you? ¹⁰ In the same way, when you have done everything required of you, you should say, ‘We servants deserve no special praise. We have only done our duty.’”

Sermon – *Faith to Change*

Holy Communion – Service of Word & Table II

Please follow by one of the following:

p. 12 UMH | On Screen | Handout

Closing Hymn: My Faith Looks Up to Thee p. 452 UMH

Benediction & Commission

Imagine what a mustard seed of faith might do this week in your life. Not a quart, nor a gallon, nor a truckload. Just a mustard seed. Imagine. Now go and live out that grace. Yes! Let it be so! Amen!

Lectionary Readings beginning October 6, 2025

Lamentations 1:1-6 | Psalm 137 | 2 Timothy 1:1-14 | Luke 17:5-10

Announcements

- The Union UMC Charge Conference will be held on October 14, 2025 at 5:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. All are encouraged to attend.
- 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 keep an eye out for treat sales.

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

Carlin Burton

7

Cailin Tovah

8

Marshall Kellam

11

Debbie Wall Cooke

14

Serena Manring

16

Mark Bumgardner

25

Cary Disher

28

Brittany Pitts Mote

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Makinzie Mote

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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?