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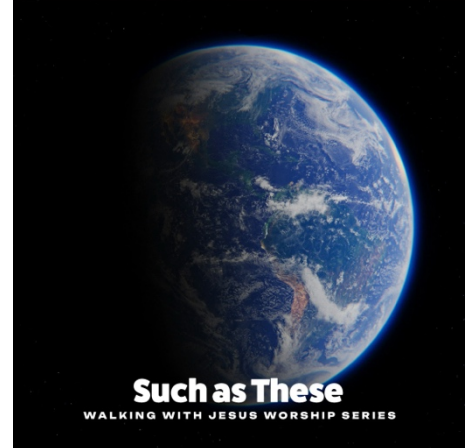
# Sunday Service Bulletin

October 6, 2024

*Such as These*

Walking With Jesus Worship Series – Week 1

World Communion Sunday 2024



## Welcome and Announcements

### Opening Prayer

### Call to Worship

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

P: Though we are different and have encountered a host of differing circumstances, God awaits us with God's healing touch.

**C: Stress and strife, sorrow and sadness claim too much of our lives.**

P: Come, now is the time to give to God all the brokenness you have experienced.

**C: Healing and Restoring God, touch our lives and bring us to wholeness with you. 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** – How Firm A Foundation p. 529 UMH  
vv. 1, 2, & 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 26 (NRSVUE)

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

L: <sup>1</sup> Vindicate me, O Lord, for I have walked in my integrity, and

have trusted in the Lord without wavering.

**C: <sup>2</sup> Prove me, O Lord, and try me; test my heart and mind.**

L: <sup>3</sup> For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in faithfulness to you.

**C: <sup>4</sup> I do not sit with the worthless, nor do I consort with hypocrites;**

L: <sup>5</sup> I hate the company of evildoers and will not sit with the wicked.

**C: <sup>6</sup> I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O Lord,**

L: <sup>7</sup> singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and telling all your wondrous deeds.

**C: <sup>8</sup> O Lord, I love the house in which you dwell and the place where your glory abides.**

L: <sup>9</sup> Do not sweep me away with sinners nor my life with the bloodthirsty,

**C: <sup>10</sup> those in whose hands are evil devices and whose right hands are full of bribes.**

L: <sup>11</sup> But as for me, I walk in my integrity; redeem me and be gracious to me.

**C: <sup>12</sup> My foot stands on level ground; in the great congregation I will bless the Lord.**

**Congregational Hymn – Crown Him with Many Crowns**

p. 327 UMH vv. 1, 2, & 4

**New Testament Reading – Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12 (NRSVUE)**

<sup>1:4</sup> Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. <sup>3</sup> He is the reflection of God's glory and the

exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup> having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.<sup>2:5</sup> Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. <sup>6</sup> But someone has testified somewhere, "What are humans that you are mindful of them or mortals that you care for them? <sup>7</sup> You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, <sup>8</sup>subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, <sup>9</sup> but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. <sup>10</sup> It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. <sup>11</sup> For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, <sup>12</sup> saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

**Sermon** – Such as These

**Holy Communion – Service of Word & Table II** - Please follow on the screen or from your handout.

**Closing Hymn** – My Hope is Built p. 368  
UMH vv. 1, 2, & 4



## **Benediction & Commission**

Go in peace, love and care for one another in Christ's name,  
Go in the confidence of people who have found mercy through  
him, keeping the commandments and letting go of all that binds  
you to the ways of this world, and may God come close to you and  
keep you safe; may Christ Jesus reward your faithfulness a  
hundredfold; and may the Holy Spirit be your help in time of need.  
both now and forevermore. Amen!

## **Lectionary Readings for the week beginning October 7th:**

- Job 23:1-9, 16-17
- Hebrews 4:12-16
- Psalm 22:1-15
- Mark 10:17-31

## **Announcements**

- 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 Methodist Church on October 20, 2024 at 2:00 PM.
- 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.

## 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. Prevette

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!