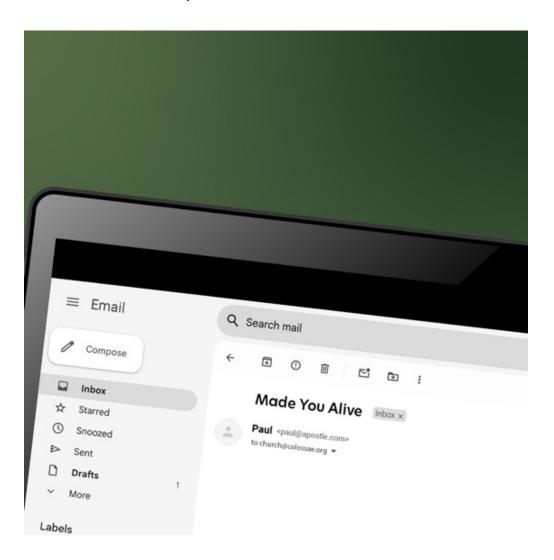
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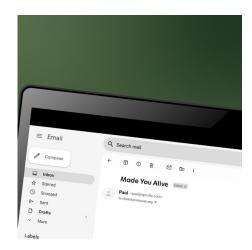


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Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship



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

- P: Children of God, when the journey ahead seems long and hard, full of unknown dangers and all-too-real risks, remember:
- C: Keep the faith. God, who made us alive, is our Guardian and Guide.
- P: When the voices on the side of the road tempt us with their misinformation full of unearned certainty, simple solutions, and quickness to blame and shame those who disagree with them, remember:
- C: Stay the course. God, who made us alive, is our Wisdom and Judge.
- P: When those in power place barriers in our way, making it harder to share the love of God in our communities, trying to convince us it is easier to do nothing than remain firm in God's call to act for the flourishing of all our neighbors, remember:
- C: Do not be afraid. God, who made us alive, is our Strength and our Advocate.
- P: Children of God, come! Let us worship God, whose persistent love empowers us to persevere, to stay the course, to live by faith and

not fear.

C: Come, let us worship God, who makes us alive, through grace to love and serve God and one another.

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 – O God, Our Help in Ages Past p. 117 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 85:1-7 (ESV)

- L: ¹Lord, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
- C: ² You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin. *Selah*
- L: ³ You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.
- C: ⁴ Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us!
- L: ⁵ Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations?
- C: ⁶ Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?
- All: ⁷ Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

Hymn – Come, Thy Font of Every Blessing p. 400 UMH

New Testament Reading – Colossians 2:6-19 (ESV)

⁶ Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. ⁸ See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. ⁹ For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰ and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all

rule and authority. ¹¹ In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, 12 having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³ And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, 14 by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him. ¹⁶ Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath. ¹⁷ These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. ¹⁸ Let no one disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and worship of angels, going on in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind,¹⁹ and not holding fast to the Head, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God.

Sermon – Made You Alive

Closing Hymn: The Church's One Foundation pp. 545-546 UMH

Benediction & Commission

Go now in the blessing and power of God who gives us life, that you may grow in faith and live as bearers of love and life everywhere you go. Amen.

Lectionary Readings beginning July 28, 2025

Hosea 11:1-11 | Psalm 107:1-9, 43 | Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21

Announcements

• None today

Prayer List

Steve and Lena Gough All who are serving our country at home and abroad

<u>Church Family</u> Wayne Bumgardner Frank Dalton Sherry Doub Frances V. Gough

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 Wanda Needham Barbara Perryman Frances Sisk

David Joyner Kevin McBride Kevin McDaniel Mark Megela Jay D. Prevette Vivian Royal Mary Ellen Smith Kim Triplette Mark Wall Ann Wallace Robert and Susan Warren Savannah Wooten

JULY BIRTHDAYS

		JOLI DINITIDATS	
Tyler Manring	2	Randall Pitt	S
Samantha Gould	5	14	
Clint Hunter	5	Cara Blackburn	15
Carolyn Perdue	5	Randy Edwards	17
Peggy Willard	11	Kathy Harbin	20
Erin Collins	12	Alan Hunter	25
		AUGUST BIRTHDAYS	
Ed Doub	1	Samantha Rose Perrym	an 23
Angela Brown	3	Norma Jean Harbin	24
Carl Pellington	3	Buddy Hutchins	25
John Collins	4	Colin Burton	26
Liz Pellington	4	Randy Perdue	29
Jackie Seats	6	Abby Seats	30
Jeff Perryman.	11	Bowen Blackburn	31
Molly Kellam.	20		

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?