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God Knows My Name

I Will Call Upon the Lord Worship Series, Week 1

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship



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

P: Wherever you go, from the top of the highest mountain or into the deep abysses of the earth, God knows you.

C: Wherever we go, God knows our name.

P: Whatever you do, from the time you wake up until you lay your head down again, God knows you.

C: Whatever we do, God knows our name.

P: However you live, from your inner thoughts to your public acts and everything in between, God knows you.

C: However we live, God knows our name.

P: We gather to worship God, who loves us, knows us, and calls us by name.

C: We gather to worship God, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made by God who knows our name!

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 – Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise p. 103 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 139:1-6, 13-18 (NRSVue)

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

L: ¹ O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

C: ² You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my

thoughts from far away.

L: ³ You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

C: ⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

L: ⁵ You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

C: ⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

L: ¹³ For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

C: ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

L: ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

C: ¹⁶ Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed.

L: ¹⁷ How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

C: ¹⁸ I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—I am still with you.

Hymn – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty p. 189 UMH

Old Testament Reading – Jeremiah 18:1-11 (NRSVue)

¹The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: ²“Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words.” ³So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. ⁴The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

⁵ Then the word of the Lord came to me: ⁶ Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. ⁷ At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, ⁸ but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. ⁹ And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, ¹⁰ but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. ¹¹ Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you, from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Sermon – God Knows My Name

Holy Communion – Service of Word & Table II

(Please refer to your bulletin or the screen)

Closing Hymn: Have Thine Own Way Lord! p. 382 UMH

Benediction & Commission

May you go from this place carrying the blessing and assurance that the Triune God, Creator of the universe, knows your name. Amen.

Lectionary Readings beginning September 8, 2025

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 | Psalm 14 | 1 Timothy 1:12-17 | Luke 15:1-10

Announcements

- Norma Jean Harbin has given a gift to the glory of God and in memory of Tricia Wallace.

Prayer List

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

Joe Dean

Mack Edwards

Mary File

Garry Harbin

Kathy Harbin

Lynda Harper

Ronald Howell

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

September Birthdays

Rosie Burton	1	Gray Lineberry	17
Stephen McBride	4	Alicia Vaughn	21
Brian Gough	9	Liam Pellingrton	22
Colleen Pellington	10	Barbara Perryman	23
Chase Mote	12	Bradan Burton	26
Sara Collins	15	Katy Collins	26
Trev Mark	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!



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?