

12th Sunday after Pentecost

August 20, 2023

9:30 AM



Gathering

Welcome

Procession

Prelude

One: How does God speak?

All: Not with a voice like mere mortals, yet God speaks in many ways.

One: In the bountiful creation around us: “The midnight skies tell of God’s glory; the midday sun displays God’s handiwork.

All: Each new day speaks God’s language; and night after night knows more than it can tell.”

One: Yet it is the cross of Jesus that speaks most profoundly: “The talk of the cross sounds absurd to those who think they are sophisticated, but for us who are being saved, it is the power of God.”

All: Amen! Let the way we speak and the way we think be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer.

*Opening Hymn

*Opening Prayer

This place for us is holy ground. The place where we sing songs of praise to the Lord and repeat the stories of faith that inspire us to respond to Christ’s love. God called us here – in whispering winds and burning flames – and with his presence disarms us of the barriers we have placed around us. Here God meets us in our vulnerability and our humanity. Let us worship the Lord. Amen.

Joys and Concerns

Special Music

Scripture Reading

Genesis 45:1-15

*Hymn

Scripture Reading

Matthew 15:10-20

Sermon

Understanding the Divine Plan

Pastor Sam

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

*Closing Hymn

*Blessing and Benediction

*Recessional Hymn

Postlude

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We invite you to keep the following people in your prayers:

Joan Alsever, Family of Paulette Ayd, Miriam Baker, Tammy Baskaran, Bob Reed's cousin Lydia, Bruce Beckman, Chris Billings, Rob Brandt, Michael Brick, family of Michael Britt, Libby Bowerman, Roy Callahan, Family of Dave Calloway, Family of Chris Davis, Steve Dawson, Family of Bill Dietz, Anna Doynov, Pat Finley, Family of Baby Graham Geschke, family of Stanley Gill, Lynn Gibbons, Family of Karen Goles, Brenda and Georges Guerrier, Lynah Guile, Mark Hardy, Rose Hatten, Theresa Hermann, Jim Hobson, Ellie Hunter, Lois Hunter, Family of Dean Jestes, Jan Lambert, Billy Lewis, Ed Massey, Family of Betty May, Craig Moore, Dennis Mullineaux, Kathy Mullins, Family of Pete Murdza, Mark Nicholson, John Norris, Gail Phillips Smith and Miles Smith, Theresa Schmitt and the Mullins children, Larry and Jackie Paulus, Bob Reed, Family of Scott Robert, Dana Rosendahl, Russell Rueling, Bob Russel, Family of Ed Scott, Julie Shachochis, Pat Sievers, Jean Steigleman, Beth Spicher, Bob Spicher, Bob Smith, Lisa Summers, Nancy Talbot, family of Terry Thompson, Sharon Truedel, Don Weinberg, Family of Harding Wescott, Dana Wheeler, Bud Whitehead, family of Jamie Whitehead, family of Mary Francis Whitehead, Gertie Williams, JoEllen Williams, Family of Reds Williams, Tom Wimsatt, Diane Withers, Family of Larry Wright, Jimmy Wylie, Family of Tony Zile

Long-term prayer concerns: Karyn Brandel, Jerry Fowler, Shirly Graham, Richard Giffin, Carrie Harrison, Robin Jones, Barbara Maury, Anna Catherine Miller, Dustin Summers, Ryan Whitehead and his family

Thank you to our Greeters and Ushers – Carol and Richard Blood

Thank you to our Liturgist – Jim Deverin

Thank you to Jay Buchanan for sharing your musical gifts!

Bible Study this Week

- Sunday School – immediately following the service of worship.
- Emory – Tuesday morning Bible – continuing the Ten Commandments

Upcoming

Welcome to
Emory United Methodist Church
August 20, 2023

