

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

September 6, 2009

10:50 AM

**GATHERING FOR WORSHIP**

*Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available in the Educational Wing.*

**WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE/MEDITATION**

All are asked to complete the attendance register in the pew and pass it along to each person. Please indicate any prayer concerns also to be given to the ushers during the offering.

**Prelude** *Alleluia* **Lorenz**

**\*Call to Worship**

Incline your hearts to the wisdom of God, seek integrity and understanding.

**The testimonies of God are wonderful; the unfolding of God’s word gives light.**

Receive God’s word and treasure God’s commandments; cry out for insight and knowledge.

**Every good endowment and perfect gift is brought forth by the will of God.**

Be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger, as doers of the word, not hearers only.

**We seek to be redeemed from human oppression to a faith that is pure and undefiled.**

**\*Hymn** *When Morning Gilds the Skies* **UMH Page 185**

**\*Invocation**

**\*Hymn of Praise** *Open Our Eyes* **TFWS Page 2086**

**PROCLAMATION**

**New Testament Reading** *James 2:1-10, 14-17* **N.T. Page 229**

James teaches that partiality based on economic or social status is contrary to the call of Christian discipleship. God has enabled the poor to be rich in faith. And the rich have exercised their power to oppress people and keep them poor. Disciples of Jesus must take direct action to relieve the needs of the poor – “faith without works is dead.”

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God **People: Thanks be to God.**

**Children’s Church** (Children age 4 through 1<sup>st</sup> grade may go to the Children’s Church Room)

**Prayers of the People**

**\*Hymn** *Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life* **UMH Page 427**

**\*Gospel Lesson** *Mark 7:24-37* **N. T. Page 42**

Jesus goes to Lebanon for a time apart, and there encounters a local woman who begs and ultimately convinces him to deliver her daughter from a demon. Returning to Galilee, and re-entering the region of the Decapolis (where he had cast out the legion of demons), he heals a man who could not hear or speak. The more he ordered others not to speak of this, the more they spread it abroad.

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**Message** *What Do the Dogs Get?* **Rev. Charles Swadley**

**RESPONSE**

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**Invitation**

**Confession and Pardon**

**Offertory Prayer** **Unison**

Let us pray: **Because you have called us to visit widows and orphans, we bring these offerings to serve you where we cannot go. We would bring all in need of healing to the feet of Jesus through gifts sent to minister in Christ’s name. May we reach out to all impoverished spirits with renewed understanding and practical help. We dedicate ourselves, with these material tokens, that we may truly become doers of the word and not hearers only. Amen.**

**Offertory Anthem** *Come, Share the Lord’s* **Leech**

**\*Doxology**

*Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he’s given Jesus Christ his Son. Repeat*

*And now let the weak say, “I am strong”; let the poor say, “I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us. Repeat*

**Presentation of the Communion Elements** **Ned and Brenda Custis**

**THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION**

**The Great Thanksgiving** **Page 18**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**SENDING FORTH**

**\*Hymn** *For the Bread Which You Have Broken* **UMH Page 614**

**\*Commission and Blessing**

The hand of God has touched us, and we have known forgiveness and healing.

**We cannot help but share our experiences and proclaim the joy we are feeling.**

We have heard anew the testimony of God’s word and been moved to keep God’s commandments.

**We have received the insight we have sought. God’s promises have steadied our footsteps.**

We have been empowered as doers of the word and not hearers only. Let us act our faith!

**We commit ourselves to walk with integrity in paths of justice, truth, and peace.**

**\*Benediction/Benediction Response**

**\*Please stand as you are able. Hearing devices are available (special loops for hearing aids). Large print bulletins are now available. Please see an usher for assistance.**

**Welcome!** We are so pleased that you have chosen to worship with us on this day. Your presence is an encouragement and inspiration to us. Let us celebrate our faith and offer our thanks and praise to God for the blessings. If you desire to join our church, please speak to Rev. Charles Swadley or Rev. Bruce Lake. Membership occurs with Profession of Faith or a Letter of Transfer from another United Methodist Church or other Christian Church.

The **Flowers** on the altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of the birthday of wife and mother, by her husband, James and daughter, Rachael. The **Acolytes** are Lynette Any and Jay Wade. The **Crucifer** is Taylor Bliss. **The Lay Readers and Communion servers are** Rev. Nancy Robinson, Rev. Maurice Hancock, and Rev. Bruce Lake. The **Greeter** is Mickey Barlow. The **Outside Greeter** is Lynn White. **First Response Team:** Mark and Debbie Gillis.

**Church Conference:** There will be a Church Conference held after church on Sunday, September 13, 2009. A luncheon will be held prior to this meeting.

**The Upper Room** devotional for September and October is now available for you to pick up. This devotional guide is available on the table in the hall across from the church office. A suggested donation of \$0.75 for small print and \$1.00 for large print is requested

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*We envision churches where all God's people are welcomed at table, nurtured and transformed to be Christ to others in the world*

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