

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here!

† indicates please stand if you are able

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING *“A Tune for the Trumpet”*
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *Kyle House*

NFUMC MISSIONAL OUTREACH MISSIONAL MOMENT

“Lord, I Lift Your Name on High” TFWS 2088
Blessing Baskets are for the benefit of
“Laurel House”

†CALL TO WORSHIP *Liturgist*

Leader: How long, O Lord?

People: When answers do not come and the silence feels heavy, may we still bring our questions to you?

Leader: When sorrow rises, when anger burns, when our hearts can no longer pretend that all is well---

People: We will speak the truth before God, who is not frightened by our grief or offended by our questions.

Leader: We will not hide our pain. We will bring it into the presence of the One who suffers with us.

People: And when our own words fail, the Spirit prays within us

Leader: Come, let us worship.

†HYMN OF PRAISE *“Great is Thy Faithfulness” UMH 140*

OPENING PRAYER *(Unison)*

Faithful God, we come before you carrying more than we can easily say. Some of us bring gratitude and hope. Some bring disappointment, weariness or grief. Some come with questions that have waited a long time for answers. Some have no words at all. Give us courage to speak honestly in your presence. Teach us that faith does not require us to hide what is true. Welcome our sorrow, our shame, our fear, our anger, our questions. Receive us as we are this day. Meet us in the truth of our lives, hold us in your steadfast love, and lead us toward the hope we cannot yet see. In the name of Christ who never abandons us. Ame

POP UP CHOIR *“Come, Now is the Time to Worship”*

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

BRINGING TO GOD OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *“Blessed Are Thou”*

†DOXOLOGY # 95

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH PRESENTATION

JOYS & CONCERNS & THE LORD’S PRAYER *Kyle Houser*

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 13:1-6 *(The Voice)* *Liturgist*
Romans 8:26-28 *(TLB)*

†HYMN OF PREPARATION *“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”*
UMH 454

†GOSPEL READING Matthew 27:45-50 *(NIV)* *Liturgist*

TODAY’S MESSAGE *“When the question is “Why?”*
Pastor Della

COMMUNION A Service of Word & Table II UMH pp. 12-15
A GREAT THANKSGIVING
GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

HYMN OF SENDING *“Be Thou My Vision”* UMH 451

†BENEDICTION WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Upcoming Liturgist

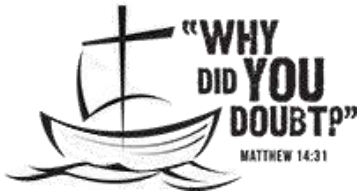
8/09 Elie Bump
8/16 Don Combes
8/23 Eileen Godfrey
8/30 Jean Bendix

Upcoming Soundboard

8/09-8/16 Carl Mercer
8/23-8/30 Tawny DeCann

Today's Ushers

Chad & Diane Sheckler
and Bill Schrader
Greeter Gail DeFisher



This Week

Mon 3 EOC Free Lunch
Every Day @ 11 am

Tues 4

9:30 Rummage Sorting
7:00 Scouts

Wed 5

Choirs are on summer break

Thurs 6

Fri 7

Sat 8

Sunday 9

9:00 Men's Study
10:00 WORSHIP

In Ministry Today

Liturgist: Jenna Taylor
Acolytes: Remington Fritz & Dallas Marshall
Sound Board: Rob Hoe Media Min. Luke Cornwell
Music Director: Stephanie Mercer
Director of Chancel & Bell Choirs: Kathy Cornwell
Lay Leader: Kyle Houser AD Council Chair: Nancy Schrader
Admin. Assist.: Brenda Carner
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Assoc. Pastor: Rev. Della Ludwig

Walking Faithfully

— When the Question is Why... —



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Our Vision: Love God, Love your neighbor.

Our Mission: Seek God, Support each other,
Serve the World, to make disciples of Jesus Christ.