Bringing Forward God’s Tithes and Our Gifts

\*Doxology **# 95 Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all Creatures here below;** **praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

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.**

\*Singing Our Faith # **701** *“When We All Get to Heaven”*

\*Blessing and Dismissal

\*Postlude

**Scatter to Serve God & Neighbor**

*Welcome to all! We gather to praise God for the innumerable blessings given to us and to grow deeper in the Spirit. Joyfully, let us lift our hearts to God.*

**For the Grocery Cart:**

**October ~** Canned green beans, corn, yams, cranberry sauce, boxed instant mashed potatoes, stuffing mix.

Place donations in the grocery cart, located in the Commons.



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***United Methodist Church***



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10:30 a.m. ~ October 8, 2023 ~ Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Our ministry vision for the Virginia Annual Conference is ***“to be disciples of Jesus Christ who are lifelong learners, who influence others to serve.”***

***Welcome! Join us in worshiping God!***

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

*Welcome in the name of Christ our Lord. Please register your attendance, printing your name, address, phone, and email, on the attendance pad provided on your pew. Thank you for silencing cell phones as we gather to worship God.*

Invocation

\*Greeting

God moves in a mysterious way

His wonders to perform;

**He plants His footsteps in the sea**

**and rides upon the storm.**

Deep in unfathomable mines

of never-failing skill;

**He treasures up His bright designs,**

**and works His sovereign will.**

Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take;

the clouds ye so much dread

**are big with mercy and shall break**

**in blessings on your head.**

Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,

but trust Him for His grace;

**behind a frowning providence**

**He hides a smiling face.** *(William Cowper, 1774)*

\*Singing Our Faith **# 77** *“How Great Thou Art”*

\*Opening Prayer

**Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Special Music Rev. White, Rebecca Cole

Greeting Friends and Neighbors

Scripture Lesson Matthew 21:33-46

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

\*Singing Our Faith **# 368** *“My Hope Is Built”*

The Good News ***“Ouch”***

\*Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children’s good.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father’s unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.**

**We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.**

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|  | 7:00 p.m. | *Wesleyan Group*  (Jessen home) |
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