



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Fayetteville First UMC

19th Sunday After Pentecost

October 16, 2022

11:00 AM

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence
Associate Minister

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

Aria
G. F. Handel

Mr. Rick Massengale
Guest musician

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 119:97-99, 103

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

Oh, how I love your law! It is my meditation all day long.

Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, for it is always with me.

I have more understanding than all my teachers, for your decrees are my meditation.

How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

*HYMN 384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

BEECHER

*INVOCATION

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin
Senior Minister

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Dr. Martin and **People**

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. **universal UMH 881*

*GLORIA PATRI

MEINEKE

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.

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***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Dr. Martin and **People**

Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:

“The peace of Christ be with you.” **“And also with you.”**

SPECIAL MUSIC

All Night, All Day
Traditional, arr. John Paradowski

Kids Crescendo Children's Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

**Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read
and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:27-34

Rev. Lawrence

²⁷The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. ²⁸And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. ²⁹In those days they shall no longer say: “The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge.” ³⁰But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. ³¹The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES, PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Lawrence

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.

***HYMN 405**

Seek Ye First

SEEK YE

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Dr. Martin

OFFERTORY

Be Thou My Vision
arr. Jay Rouse

Chancel Choir

*Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.*

*Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one.*

*Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
Thou mine inheritance, now and always.
Thou and Thou only first in my heart;
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.*

*High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun.
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.*

*DOXOLOGY

OLD 100th

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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Dr. Martin

Children ages 4 years through 2nd grade are invited to attend Wonders of Worship in Room B225.

Children 3rd grade and older are encouraged to stay in the sanctuary for the service.

The nursery is available for infants through 3 years.

*GOSPEL READING

Luke 18:1-8

Rev. Lawrence

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Dr. Martin

***HYMN 600**

Wonderful Words of Life

WORDS OF LIFE

***BENEDICTION**

Dr. Martin

*Do all the good you can, by all the means you can,
in all the ways you can, in all the places you can,
at all the times you can, to all the people you can,
as long as ever you can.*

***POSTLUDE**

Fanfare on 'St. Gertrude'
Gordan Young

Mr. Massengale

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Please remember in your prayers:

Van Askew
Nancy Byers
Richard Clayton
Margaret Grainger

Martha Hale
Don Harp
Chenelle Hernandez
Tangie Hubbard

Cindy Jennings
Sara Johnston
Doris Kerlin
Claudia Rhodes

Brenda Tierman
Helen Voyles
Elise Wheatley
Mabel Wilbanks

The flowers are presented today to the glory of God

and in celebration of Steve and Charlotte McAdams' 50th wedding anniversary.



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