

Piano Prelude | Brandon Coffer

A Mighty Fortress | arr. Joel Raney

Call to Worship | Sarah Kitts

Blessings | Laura Story

We pray for blessings.

We pray for peace, comfort for family,

Protection while we sleep.

We pray for healing, for prosperity.

We pray for Your mighty hand

To ease our suffering.

And all the while You hear each spoken need,

Yet love is way too much to give us lesser things.

'Cause what if Your blessings come through raindrops?

What if Your healing comes through tears?

And what if a thousand sleepless nights

Are what it takes to know You're near? And what if trials of this life

Are Your mercies in disguise?

We pray for wisdom,

Your voice to hear.

We cry in anger when we cannot feel You near.

We doubt Your goodness.

We doubt Your love,

As if ev'ry promise from Your Word is not enough.

And all the while You hear each desp'rate plea

And long that we'd have faith to believe.

When friends betray us,

When darkness seems to win,

We know that pain reminds this heart

That this is not this is not our home.

'Cause what if Your blessings come through raindrops?

What if Your healing comes through tears?

And what if a thousand sleepless nights

Are what it takes to know You're near?

What if my greatest disappointments

Or the aching of this life

Is a revealing of a greater thirst

This world can't satisfy?

And what if trials of this life,

The rain, the storms, the hardest nights,

Are Your mercies in disguise?

Welcome | Tim Boone

Children's Sermon | Susan Tatum

Congregational Hymn 52

O Worship the King | LYONS

O worship the King, all glorious above, And gratefully sing His power and His love; Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace, Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space! His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light, It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail: Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

Scripture Reading (2 Samuel 9:1-10, 13) | Pam Neal

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

- ¹ David asked, "Is there anyone still left of the house of Saul to whom I can show kindness for Jonathan's sake? ² Now there was a servant of Saul's household named Ziba. They called him to appear before David, and the king said to him, "Are you Ziba?" "Your servant," he replied.
- ³ The king asked, "Is there no one still left of the house of Saul to whom I can show God's kindness?" Ziba answered the King, "There is still a son of Jonathan; he is crippled in both feet."
- ⁴ "Where is he?" the king asked. Ziba answered, "He is at the house of Makir son of Ammiel in Lo Debar." ⁵ So King David had him brought from Lo Debar, from the house of Makir son of Ammiel.
- ⁶ When Mephibosheth son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, came to David, he bowed down to pay him honor. David said, "Mephibosheth!" "Your servant," he replied. ⁷ "Don't be afraid," David said to him, "for I will surely show you kindness for the sake of your father Jonathan. I will restore to you all the land that belonged to your grandfather Saul, and you will always eat at my table."

⁸ Mephibosheth bowed down and said, "What is your servant, that you should notice a dead dog like me?" ⁹ Then the king summoned Ziba, Saul's servant, and said to him, "I have given your master's grandson everything that belonged to Saul and his family. ¹⁰ You and your sons and your servants are to farm the land for him and bring in the crops, so that your master's grandson may be provided for. And Mephibosheth, grandson of your master, will always eat at my table." (Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants.)

¹³ And Mephibosheth lived in Jerusalem, because he always ate at the king's table, and he was crippled in both feet.

Pastoral Prayer | David Crocker

Special Music | Maddie Coffer & Jill Hobby

Worthy of Worship | arr. Marty Parks

Worthy of worship, worthy of praise, Worthy of honor and glory; Worthy of all the glad songs we can sing, Worthy of all of the off'rings we bring.

You are worthy, Father, Creator. You are worthy, Savior, Sustainer. You are worthy, worthy and wonderful; Worthy of worship and praise.

Worthy of rev'rence, worthy of fear, Worthy of love and devotion; Worthy of bowing and bending of knees, Worthy of all this and added to these:

You are worthy, Father, Creator. You are worthy, Savior, Sustainer. You are worthy, worthy and wonderful; Worthy of worship and praise.

Almighty Father, Master and Lord, King of all Kings and Redeemer; Wonderful Counselor, Comforter, Friend, Savior and Source of our life without end. You are worthy!

Father, Creator, You are worthy!
Savior, Sustainer, You are worthy.
Worthy and wonderful, worthy of worship,
Worthy of worship, worthy of worship and praise!
Worthy of praise!

Offertory Response 706

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow | OLD 100TH, ALT

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.

Sermon | David Crocker

"Access for the Disabled" | 2 Samuel 9:1-10, 13

Response Hymn 264

Where Charity and Love Prevail | RESIGNATION

Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found; Brought here to gather by Christ's love, by love are we thus bound. With grateful joy and holy fear true charity we learn;

Let us with heart and mind and strength now love Christ in return.

Forgive we now each other's faults as we our faults confess;

And let us love each other well in Christian holiness.

Let strife among us be unknown, let all contention cease;

Be Christ the glory that we seek, be ours His holy peace.

Spoken Benediction | David Crocker

Benediction Hymn 514

Christians, Let Us Go and Serve Him | HOLY MANNA

Christians, let us go and serve Him, serve the One who gives us life.

Let us serve in love and power, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Serve in love and serve in wisdom, reaching all we know and see.

Christians, let us go and serve Him, now and through eternity.

Organ Postlude | Rhonda Carpenter

Postlude on "Truro" | David Lasky

Called Business Meeting

Sanctuary Flowers

In loving memory of Phyllis Eggers Lyle, James Lyle, Jr., Alan Thomas Lyle, and Dorothy Patty Gibbs. Given by Jim Lyle.

SUNDAYANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's Mission Project: Christmas Backpacks

Backpack Pick-Up Starts: Sunday, September 6

Backpack Return: October 11

Our first project for September is once again filling Christmas backpacks with the TN Baptist Mission Board for children in need in our state. We filled 50 backpacks last year with the help of our children and individual church members. WE PLAN TO DO THAT AGAIN even under such different circumstances.

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Our children will do their part but cannot fill all 50 backpacks without your help! Beginning Sunday, September 6, if you attend our Sunday service in person, you may pick up an empty backpack with instructions on how to fill it from the basket in the Welcome Center. The backpacks, with listed items, need to be returned by Sunday, October 11. Please help us model for our children the gift of giving to others in need.

Family Drive-Through

Saturday, September 12, 10-11 am | Church Parking Lot CALLING ALL KIDS AND FAMILIES!! If you are ages two years through fifth grade, we are holding a drive-through for you to pick up various materials for the fall. Drive by anytime and receive a bag of goodies with SS activity sheets, RA, GA, and Mission Friends resources, an empty Christmas backpack to fill for our September mission project, a new bible for our new first graders, and much more! Each child will also get a free ice cream treat and a chance to meet your new leaders as they wave you through!



Even though we can't meet in person yet, we want to connect with YOU!

We hope to see you that morning and plan to have another drive-through in October!

 July '20
 Fiscal YTD

 Revenue (all sources)
 \$104,807
 \$104,807

 Expenses
 \$120,143
 \$120,143

 Excess/Deficit
 (\$15,336)
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Season of Prayer for Tennessee State Missions

Missions are the heartbeat of our churches. The call to be the presence of Christ in the world means we are intentional about serving "the least of these." In September, WMU encourages you to pray and give generously to support ministries that seek to meet needs in Jesus' name. Join us as we learn more about Tennessee missions, unite our hearts in prayer, and consider how God might be calling us as individuals and congregations to become involved in lifechanging ministries. Prayer guides, videos, and resources are available by visiting: goldenoffering.org and tncbf.org/vsmo.



Looking for a virtual Sunday School class?

If you would like to participate in an online Sunday School class over Zoom, there are three classes available to you. For information on the topic of study and how to connect each week, please contact one of the teachers:

Discovery Class: Cathy Campbell - docspot@chartertn.net Midway Class: Emily Plemmons - jimilyp@comcast.net Tatum Class: Alan Tatum - tatumba@comcast.net



Young Adult Sunday School

Join us over Zoom on Sundays at 5:00 pm as we continue our study on Lamentations entitled *Prophetic Lament: A Call for Justice in Troubled Times*. For more information, contact Tim Boone (tboone@fbcknox.org).

Small-Group for College and Young Professionals

Are you an undergraduate or graduate student? Are you a young professional looking for a community in Knoxville? Join us over Zoom at 6:30 pm on Tuesday nights for a time of fellowship and Bible study. For more information, contact Tim Boone (tboone@fbcknox.org).



Next Sunday is the first Sunday of the month. We will receive our Community Care/ Benevolence Offering, which allows us to meet critical needs in our community.



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