

# Heritage United Methodist Church

OCT 16, 2022, LAITY SUNDAY

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements Rev. Maria Campbell

Song of Praise Wonderful Words of Life #600 UMH

Call to Worship

Liturgist—Lee Herring

Leader: We gather here to worship seeking to draw near to Jesus.

People: God calls us to worship the Word made flesh.

Leader: We gather here to worship, although we are drawn in too many directions, and overwhelmed

with too many tasks.

People: God calls us to lean into the Spirit of Truth

**Leader:** We gather here to worship, wondering and hoping, doubting and uncertain. But we are here.

People: God calls us to worship with our whole being. We are here; let us worship with joy.

Children's Moment Rev. Maria Campbell

Centering Song More Precious than Silver (2X) #2065 TFWS

Scripture A collection of verses from Psalm 119 (NRSV) Video of Voices

1-2 Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord. Happy are those who keep his decrees, who seek him with their whole heart,

16 I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.

27 Make me understand the way of your precepts, and I will meditate on your wondrous works.

59-60, 64 When I think of your ways, I turn my feet to your decrees; I hurry and do not delay to keep your commandments. The earth, O Lord, is full of your steadfast love; teach me your statutes.

89-90 The Lord exists forever; your word is firmly fixed in heaven. Your faithfulness endures to all generations; you have established the earth, and it stands fast.

97-105 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. I understand more than the aged, for I keep your precepts. I hold back my feet from every evil way, in order to keep your word. I do not turn away from your ordinances, for you have taught me. How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! Through your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way. Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

111 Your decrees are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart.

130 The unfolding of your words gives light; it imparts understanding to the simple.

160, 162 The sum of your word is truth; and every one of your righteous ordinances endures forever. I rejoice at your word like one who finds great spoil.

169 Let my cry come before you, O Lord; give me understanding according to your word.

171-175 My lips will pour forth praise, because you teach me your statutes. My tongue will sing of your promise, for all your commandments are right. Let your hand be ready to help me, for I have chosen your precepts. I long for your salvation, O Lord, and your law is my delight. Let me live that I may praise you, and let your ordinances help me.

## Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Maria Campbell

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.

Anthem

Leaning on the Rock of Ages (arr. Hart)

Friends In Faith

Scripture

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 (New Living Translation)

Liturgist—Lee Herring

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Doxology #95 UMH

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

## **Dedication of Offering**

Liturgist—Lee Herring

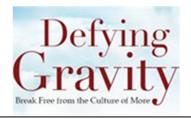
Holy God, as we offer our gifts to you, and we pray that, in our giving, we may be reconnected to the reason why we follow and the reason why we give. You called us to be disciples who make disciples. Help us avoid distractions and make the road to justice clear. In Christ, we pray, our guiding light. Amen.

Closing Song God Will Take Care of You #130 UMH

Blessing Dawn Beck

### Postlude

Pianist—Jenny Memmott Organist—Margaret Cinotto Worship Song Leader—Jacob Eppel Friends In Faith Ouartet—Duane Fields, Janet Fields, Rod Gerdes, Brooke Fairchild



# **Stewardship News**

Stewardship is not a one and done "campaign". It is a lifestyle borne out of our understanding that what we have is God's at all times – not just during the annual Stewardship Campaign. We are a grateful people and that is expressed year-round. Although commitment cards are welcome at any time, it would be very helpful to have them returned by October 16th in order to present the 2023 spending plan at Annual Conference. Thank you!

## 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 (The Message Version)

But don't let it faze you. Stick with what you learned and believed, sure of the integrity of your teachers—why, you took in the sacred Scriptures with your mother's milk! There's nothing like the written Word of God for showing you the way to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. Every part of Scripture is God-breathed and useful one way or another—showing us truth, exposing our rebellion, correcting our mistakes, training us to live God's way. Through the Word we are put together and shaped up for the tasks God has for us. I can't impress this on you too strongly. God is looking over your shoulder. Christ himself is the Judge, with the final say on everyone, living and dead. He is about to break into the open with his rule, so proclaim the Message with intensity; keep on your watch.

Challenge, warn, and urge your people. Don't ever quit. Just keep it simple. You're going to find that there will be times when people will have no stomach for solid teaching but will fill up on spiritual junk food—catchy opinions that tickle their fancy. They'll turn their backs on truth and chase mirages. But you—keep your eye on what you're doing; accept the hard times along with the good; keep the Message alive; do a thorough job as God's servant.

## Worship Song Sheet Sunday 10.16.22

#### Wonderful Words of Life

#600 UMH

Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life; let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life; words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty.

Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life. Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.

Christ, the blessed one, gives to all wonderful words of life; sinner, list to the loving call, wonderful words of life; all so freely given, wooing us to heaven.

Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life. Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.

Sweetly echo the gospel call, wonderful words of life; offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life; Jesus, only Savior, sanctify forever.

Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life. Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.

#### More Precious than Silver (2X)

#2065 TFWS

Lord, you are more precious than silver. Lord, you are more costly than gold. Lord, you are more beautiful than diamonds, and nothing I desire compares with you.

#### God Will Take Care of You

#130 UMH

Be not dismayed, whate'er betide, God will take care of you; beneath his wings of love abide; God will take care of you.

God will take care of you, through every day, o'er all the way;

he will take care of you, God will take care of you.

Through days of toil when heart doth fail, God will take care of you; when dangers fierce your path assail, God will take care of you.

God will take care of you, through every day, o'er all the way;

he will take care of you, God will take care of you.

All you may need he will provide, God will take care of you; nothing you ask will be denied, God will take care of you.

God will take care of you, through every day, o'er all the way;

he will take care of you, God will take care of you.

No matter what may be the test, God will take care of you; lean, weary one, upon his breast, God will take care of you.

God will take care of you, through every day, o'er all the way; he will take care of you, God will take care of you.