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### Prayer List

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Fran Dennison  
Carrie Denny  
Vivian Eckerson  
Jim Furches  
Alex Garrison  
Ben Gouge  
Betty Gouge  
Mendy Hall  
Tom Holmes  
Traci Honeycutt  
Scott Huff  
The Johnston family  
Deb King  
Linda Kostreva  
James Lessly  
Roy & Sharyn Lessly  
Mary Lewis  
David McElveen  
Barbara McQuain & family  
John Melendez & family  
Helen Mills  
Ashley Moya & family  
Tom Palmer  
Bob & Athena Peebles  
Conley Poole  
Cathie Rosecrance  
Judy Rust  
Mary Shomaker  
Nancy Stevenson  
Doris Welch  
Family Promise  
Brother's Keeper  
Haven of Mercy  
Kairos Ministry  
Afghanistan  
Haiti  
Hurricane victims &  
workers  
Healthcare workers



## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### WORSHIP GUIDE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2021

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Prelude** "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" Arr. Gilbert Martin

#### Call to worship

Leader: We come to this place where God pours out love on  
us.

**People: We join our voices in praise for God's mercy and  
grace.**

Leader: We gather with those around us who seek to follow  
Jesus.

**People: We gather in wonder at the new things God is doing  
in our midst.**

Leader: We gather so that our hearts may be open to God's  
calling.

**People: We gather so we may worship and serve God in love  
and unity.**

#### Invocation

**Hymn of Praise**

"This is Amazing Grace"

## Prayer of Confession

Leader: God whose Spirit moved over the waters, You have washed us in Your mercy, claimed us as Your own, bound us in community, and called us to live lives of baptismal grace.

People: Forgive us, O God, for we have not lived as if we were Your baptized people. We stumble over opportunities for forgiveness. We prioritize selfish interests. We are slow to disrupt what makes us uncomfortable, even if it means ignoring the suffering of our neighbors in our community and in our world. Forgive us, O God. Renew our love for You, that we may grow in relationship and follow Your will.

*(a time for personal reflection)*

Leader: Because we were buried with Christ in these waters we are raised to new life with Him. Stand assured in the good news of the Gospel:

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed to try again. Thanks be to God. AMEN

Gospel Reading Matthew 28:16-20

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Reflection

"Today We All Are Called to be Disciples of the Lord"

Ministry Moment

## Doxology

Old Testament Reading 2 Kings 2:1-5

Sermon "Go With God" Mr. Steve Reis

Hymn of Commitment "Forward Through the Ages"

Benediction

Postlude "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" Arr. James Mansfield



### Trunk or Treat

Trunk or Treat is Wednesday, October 27 in the Pine Street Parking Lot. Sign up on Sunday mornings to provide a trunk! Candy donations also needed- please leave any donations in the print room



*We celebrate with Casey & Lindsay Carmical in the birth of their son, John Beckham Carmical, on October 4. Grandparents are Johnny & Janice Moore.*

We extend our sympathy to:

Jane Childers in the loss of her sister, Sue Broyles, on September 21

Edna Nadeau in the loss of her son, Joel Nadeau, on September 26

### Mission and Outreach Opportunities

- UMCOR Cleaning Kits and Hygiene Kits for victims of natural disasters: please leave all donations in the print room by [October 24 \(deadline extended\)](#)
- Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes: due by [November 14](#)