Those Who Serve

Pastor: Joy Wigal

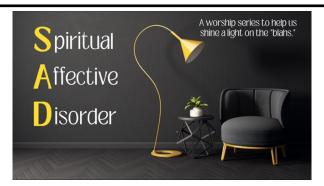
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Custodian: Jordan McKee

Administrative Assistant: Amanda Hatfield



Faith United Methodist Church Sooth a Savage-Week 2 January 22, 2023

GATHER

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSIC FOR GATHERING (PRELUDE)

THRESHOLD

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me.
And nothing will I fear as long as you are near.
Please be near me to the end.
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

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Let us pray:

God who sang all creation into being, we give you thanks for the sweet harmonies and soul-stirring rhythms that lift up our spirits in the dance of life. Open our eyes to the light of possibilities, even when the day ahead holds difficulties. Be with us, near us, beside us.

Amen.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

OPENING HYMN

"I Love You, Lord" TFWS 2068

OPENING TO GOD (REASSURANCE)

Many among us feel at times that we exist under an oppressive cloud of silence, a blank static that fills the channel and blocks us from tuning into the song of our life.

May we listen carefully to one another and fix our hearts on today's message of hope and connection.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PROCLAIM

"MORE LIGHT"

More light, more truth is breaking from Your Word.
More light, more truth,
Holy Spirit, help us hear what needs to be heard.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, January 22
Worship 10:30AM
Monday, January 23
Office Open 10:00am-2:00pm
Tuesday, January 24
Office Open 10:00am-2:00pm
Wednesday, January 25
Office Open 10:00am-2:00pm
Thursday, January 26
Office Open 10:00am-2:00pm
Sunday, January 29
Worship10:30am
Monday, January 30
Office Open 10:00am-2:00pm
Tuesday, January 31
Office Open 10:00am-2:00pm
Wednesday, February 1
Office Open 10:00am-2:00pm
Thursday, February 2
Office Open 10:00am-2:00pm
Eventide Circle Meeting1:00pm
Sunday, February 5
Worship10:30am

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Baby Christian & Family Karen Bay Bernice Osborne Karen Norman Karen Wilson Bev Wolford Betty Miller Kevin Bushong Bradley Adams Laura Peck Brenda Shepherd Marilyn Inman David Inman Marlene Farley Dennis Cebulsky Pastor Joy Wigal Diana Bohn Family Saundra Boyd Doug Adams Steve DeGarmo Family Ed McAuley Steve Inman Ellen Kelton Suzanne Collins Fred Cubbison Terry Pickens Heidi Thea & Mark Crawmer Jane Thorne Tim & Sherry Dickerson Janice Moore Veronica Jill Shrock Vicky Wolfe Jim Tignor Zola Duncan & Family JoAnne Peadon Medical Faith Shut-in: Juanita Mohler

Kathleen McCutcheon

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 40:1-11 (NRSVUE)

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SERMON

RESPOND

PRAYERS

Open unto me, light for my darkness, light for my darkness, open unto me. Open unto me, light for my darkness, open unto me, O God.

Open unto me, strength for my weakness, strength for my weakness, open unto me. Open unto me, strength for my weakness, open unto me, O God.

Open unto me, peace for my turmoil, peace for my turmoil, open unto me. Open unto me, peace for my turmoil, open unto me, O God.

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.

"OPEN UNTO ME"

Open unto me, peace for my turmoil, peace for my turmoil, open unto me. Open unto me, peace for my turmoil, open unto me, O God.

OFFERING | OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY

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 DEDICATION

Almighty God, who made us who we are, we offer all of ourselves to You. Take our talents, our energy and our joy, and use us to share Your love.

Take our mistakes, our regrets and our pain,
and use us to bring Your healing.

Magnify the gifts we offer before You today,
to spread Your peace in the world. Amen. -By Gill Le Feure

GO FORTH

PRACTICES FOR THE WEEK

HYMN OF GOING FORTH

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" UMH 400

BENEDICTION

Now go into the world, feeling the wrap of love around your shoulders, the embrace of well-being encompassing your heart, the confidence that only requires one foot in front of the other, and the assurance that you are not alone.

The world needs each of us and waits patiently for our lights to shine, illuminating just one small corner, speaking even a little bit of hope.

We're in it together, along with the One who created us, the One who redeems us, the One who sustains us.

> So be it. Amen.

MUSIC FOR GOING OUT (POSTLUDE)