



Our Mission.... To *make disciples* of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world .

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<u>Office Hours</u> Tuesday & Wednesday, 9:00 am– 2:00 pm Closed Monday, Thursday and Friday The Way...

The earliest Christians were called *The People of the Way.* This weekly publication is provided to show how our congregations are living *The Way* today.

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PATRIOT DAY

Three months after the 2001 terrorist attacks, Congress approved a joint resolution designating September 11 as Patriot Day. Every year, we pause to remember the lives lost and changed on that autumn morning.

The resolution requests that each year the president issue a proclamation calling on the American people and state and local governments to observe the day with appropriate activities. Those include remembrance services, candlelight vigils, moments of silence and flying the U.S. flag at halfstaff.

In his 2023 proclamation President Biden said, "Together, may we continue to demonstrate that the rights and freedoms that those terrorists sought to destroy on September 11, 2001, remain unwavering – strengthened by generations of Americans who have dared all and risked all to defend, protect and preserve our democracy."



Young at heart

I like to walk with Grandpa and Grandma,

Their steps are short like mine. They don't say, "Now hurry up." They always take their time.

I like to walk with Grandpa and Grandma,

Their eyes see things like mine do

Wee pebbles bright, a funny cloud, Half-hidden drops of dew.

Most people have to hurry, They do not stop and see. I'm glad that God made Grandpa and Grandma Unrushed and young like me.





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GOALS FOR YOUR CHURCH

Pastor and professor Howard Clinebell Jr. described the ideal local church as one that strives to become "a healing, growth-stimulating, redemptive organism." Each congregation, he wrote, should work to develop "a dynamic climate of mutual concern which gradually seeps into and saturates the whole fellowship."

How can your church body meet those goals? For starters, compare your mission, ministry, outreach and attitudes to the early church.

The New Testament reveals that a fellowship of believers should engage in these activities together: worshiping (Acts 2:46-47), studying (Acts 2:42), witnessing (Acts 2:44-47; 3:9), serving (Acts 6:1-6; 20:35), loving (Hebrews 10:24), praying (Acts 1:14; 12:12), cooperating (Acts 1:11-14; 2:1; 4:23) and suffering for the sake of the gospel (Hebrews 10:32-34; Philippians 1:29).

In addition, Jesus calls New Testament believers to live joyfully (Acts 2:46; 5:40-41; 13:50-52; 16:25), courageously (Acts 4:13; 4:29; 15:26), powerfully (1 Corinthians 4:20), enthusiastically (Acts 2:43-47) and generously (Acts 2:45; 2 Corinthians 9:10-12). May the Holy Spirit equip us to heal, grow and mutually edify one another!

Deliver to:

* -This symbol, when found in the Order of Service invites you to stand - if able.

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CHILDREN & WORSHIP

Children are welcome in the worship service! We do provide a nursery, located in



<u>This Sunday</u> Grandparent's Day 10:30am ~ Worship & Live streaming worship

Monday: ~ Office Closed ~ Tuesday: Wednesday: Patriot Day Thursday: ~ Office Closed ~ Friday: ~ Office Closed ~ Saturday 9:00am ~ Methodist Women

<u>Next Sunday:</u> 10:30am ~ Worship & Live streaming worship





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PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please add your name to the attendance register located in your pew and pass to the next person until reaches everyone in your row.

WORSHIP THROUGH GATHERING

*THE LIGHT OF GOD IS PRESENT WITH US *HYMN #2146 His Eye Is on the Sparrow

*THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

HYMN #15-16

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.* Lift up your hearts. *We lift them up to the Lord.* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *It is right to give our thanks and praise.* And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again. All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and for ever. *Amen.*

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.

BREAKING THE BREAD RECEIVING THE CUP

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYING

PRAYER HYMN #601

Thy Word Is a Lamp

Hymn #95

SHARING OF CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS PASTORAL PRAYER

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

THE OFFERING: The Gathering of the Gifts *Presentation of Gifts with DOXOLOGY: Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise Him all creatures here below! Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts! Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! Amen.

WORSHIP THROUGH HEARING

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE

Mark 11:22-24 NLT

²² Then Jesus said to the disciples, "Have faith in God. ²³ I tell you the truth, you can say to this mountain, 'May you be lifted up and thrown into the sea,' and it will happen. But you must really believe it will happen and have no doubt in your heart. ²⁴ I tell you, you can pray for anything, and if you believe that you've received it, it will be yours.

RESPONSE: The Word of God, for the people of God. Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

"Be A Mountain Mover"

WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONDING

*HYMN #**431** *BLESSING Let There Be Peace on Earth



Prayer Requests —last names are printed for individuals requesting prayer for themselves or with explicitly given permission.

Jane Marginet, Terri Jarboe, Ruby Wilkerson, June Regenhold, Mark Fear, Kim Stratman, Deanna Wilson, Norman Bullock, Terry Phillips, Liz & Alan Creamer, Vivory Brewer, Frieda Lewis



Kasey Jo Breshear ~ 9th Terry Marenholz ~ 14th