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New Contact Information:

Phone _____

Email _____

Address _____

Opportunities to serve

Saturday Meal Site opportunities to serve:

- Hosts: Someone who can greet guests and sit with them during the meal.
- Clean-up crew. Come around 12:00-1:30pm.
- Provide grocery bags and/or socks for Meal Site & Operation Safety Net

Worship team opportunities to serve:

- Greeter—Greet people at the West parking lot.
- Usher—Greet people as they come into the service. Help with offering and Communion.
- Video—Get behind the camera to make a video recording of the sermon.
- Editor—Take the footage of the worship series and edit into a video to be posted on youtube.
- Sound—Help with the sound board, making sure mic levels are correct during worship.
- Slides—Help switch the slides during the service.

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Announcements

We are blessed by your presence, and pray that worship is meaningful for you. You are invited to note your attendance and mailing address on the blue attendance tear-off sheet found in each bulletin. This sheet may be left at your seat for the ushers to gather after service. We encourage family participation in worship. We can provide activity bags for children upon request. Please see an usher for more information. Ushers can also provide you with large print bulletins if needed. We extend a special welcome to you and trust you will experience God's presence today.

Sunday School Classes

Adult Sunday School Class @ 10:30am— Asbury Parlor and Zoom

Swahili Bible Study Class @10:30am—Swahili Class Room

Children & Youth Sunday School @ 10:30am—Epworth Hall

Discipleship Schedule Monday Noon Bible Study meets in-person in Epworth Hall and on Zoom. Wednesday Noon Prayer & Devotion Time continues to meet on Facebook Live and Zoom. Zoom Meeting ID # for both is 961 006 728. All Zoom meetings can also be joined by phone simply by dial 312-626-6799. Once connected, dial the Meeting ID # 961 006 728, and you will join in the conversation.

Two Rivers Kids & Youth Two Rivers Kids and Youth will meet at Camp Milan on Wednesdays from 4:00-5:30pm through the month of October. Adult volunteers are needed to help supervise and/or provide a meal for the group. Kids and youth in need of rides should contact Pastor Robb by texting him (815-514-3779). New adult volunteers must have approved background checks.

College Care Packages We are preparing care packages for our college students. We want our young people to know that we are thinking of them, and there are a couple of ways you can help. In the back of the sanctuary there will be a series of bags. Each will be labeled with a different college student's name. You can drop notes, cards, and letters in each of the bags to personalize the gifts. Please don't put gift cards in these individual bags. Instead, make any financial donations to the church offering and mark them "College Care." We will then do the shopping to make sure the care packages are evenly distributed with items that are helpful to the college students.

Kaeleen - Carthage College, Emma - Knox College, Colton - Knox College, Gabe - WIU Quad Cities, Mackenzie - WIU Macomb, Autumn - NIU, Florence - NIU, Patience - Drake, Keith - SIU Carbondale

Little Free Pantry The Two Rivers Church Little Free Pantry is in need of more non-perishable donations. A list of suggested and prohibited donations can be found in the back of the sanctuary or in the west entrance. Thank you so much for any help you can give to keep this important ministry going.

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Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



Exodus 16:1-18

16 The whole Israelite community set out from Elim and came to the Sin desert, which is located between Elim and Sinai. They set out on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had left the land of Egypt. 2 The whole Israelite community complained against Moses and Aaron in the desert. 3 The Israelites said to them, "Oh, how we wish that the Lord had just put us to death while we were still in the land of Egypt. There we could sit by the pots cooking meat and eat our fill of bread. Instead, you've brought us out into this desert to starve this whole assembly to death."

4 Then the Lord said to Moses, "I'm going to make bread rain down from the sky for you. The people will go out each day and gather just enough for that day. In this way, I'll test them to see whether or not they follow my Instruction. 5 On the sixth day, when they measure out what they have collected, it will be twice as much as they collected on other days." 6 So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "This evening you will know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt. 7 And in the morning you will see the Lord's glorious presence, because your complaints against the Lord have been heard. Who are we? Why blame us?" 8 Moses continued, "The Lord will give you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning because the Lord heard the complaints you made against him. Who are we? Your complaints aren't against us but against the Lord."

9 Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole Israelite community, 'Come near to the Lord, because he's heard your complaints.'" 10 As Aaron spoke to the whole Israelite community, they turned to look toward the desert, and just then the glorious presence of the Lord appeared in the cloud.

11 The Lord spoke to Moses, 12 "I've heard the complaints of the Israelites. Tell them, 'At twilight you will eat meat. And in the morning you will have your fill of bread. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God.'"

13 In the evening a flock of quail flew down and covered the camp. And in the morning there was a layer of dew all around the camp. 14 When the layer of dew lifted, there on the desert surface were thin flakes, as thin as frost on the ground. 15 When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, "What is it?" They didn't know what it was.

Moses said to them, "This is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat. 16 This is what the Lord has commanded: 'Collect as much of it as each of you can eat, one omer per person. You may collect for the number of people in your household.'" 17 The Israelites did as Moses said, some collecting more, some less. 18 But when they measured it out by the omer, the ones who had collected more had nothing left over, and the ones who had collected less had no shortage. Everyone collected just as much as they could eat.

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

Prelude "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" - R. E. Kreutz-arr. J. Carter

Greeting

*Call to Worship (Psalm 9:1-2)

One: We gather as a people who are grateful to God.

All: I will thank you, LORD, with all my heart;

I will talk about all your wonderful acts.

I will celebrate and rejoice in you;

I will sing praises to your name, Most High.

*Opening Hymn #127 UHM "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" vs. 1 & 2

*Prayer of Confession

All: O God, you are a holy and gracious God, but we are too often an ungracious people. Instead of operating out of gratitude and love, we wonder 'what's in it for me.' Even when do good, we often wonder if we earned points on some diving scorecard. Forgive us for our ungrateful hearts. Forgive us for when we take your love for granted, or fail to acknowledge your role in our lives. Free us from this system that keeps score and free us for a life of grace.

(Pause for silent reflection and confession)

One: Hear the Good News: God does not score. Christ desires nothing but your thankful and joyful heart. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

Spirit Hymn #408 UMH

"The Gift of Love" vs. 1

Pastoral Prayer and 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.

Musical Offering "Come, Everyone Who is Thirsty" - Tom Fettke

Tamara Baugh, soprano and Olinda Gunther, mezzo soprano

Testimonial: Grateful to God

Sarah McCoy

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

All: Holy God, open our hearts to the story of your love. Open our minds to new ways of knowing you. Open our doors for all whom you would welcome. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Exodus 16:1-18 (CEB)

Sermon

Be Grateful: God Provides Manna

- Robb McCoy

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Response Hymn #629

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" vs. 1 & 5

Offering Reflection and Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: We will thank you God, with our whole heart. We will talk about your wonderful acts. We will celebrate and rejoice in you.

All: Holy and Gracious God, we gather as a grateful people. We are thankful for the created world and our place in it. We are thankful for your Son, and the forgiveness and grace he offers. We are thankful for your Spirit, which empowers us to change the world. We are thankful for your Church, and our place in its mission. We pause to reflect on how we may respond to your great gifts.

(Pause for Silent Reflection and Gratitude)

One: We will sing praises to your name, Most High.

*Closing Hymn #438 UMH

"Forth in Thy Name" v. 1

*Blessing and Dismissal

Postlude "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" - J. Hughes-arr. C. Berry

* You are invited to stand as you are able.
FWS - The Faith We Sing (black hymnal)
UMH - United Methodist Hymnal (red hymnal)
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PRAYER MINISTRY

NAME: _____

Who would you like to see this prayer?

- Pastor Only.** Only the pastor will see this prayer. He will most likely see it and be in prayer for it on Monday morning.
- Prayer Chain.** These prayers will be sent to those who have signed up for prayer chain email. They will also be prayed for by name only during our Wednesday online prayer service. Names only will be printed in newsletter if it is an ongoing need.

Please be in prayer for:

Please pray for this:

- For this week only.
- Until _____
- This is an ongoing need.

I am interested in being a part of the Prayer Chain:

Email: _____