# August 27, 2023, 10:30 a.m. Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost



Order of Worship

(\*Please rise in body or in spirit.)

#### PRELUDE

**Christie Spriggs** 

GREETING

Rev. Todd Lattig

Kathleen Meredith

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) Our help is in God, who calls us to worship. Our hope is in love, that calls us to care. Come, let us bring our full selves to worship. Let us bring our full love and care.

*HYMN "Guide	Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"	UMH 127
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\*OPENING PRAYER (unison)

Kathleen Meredith Gracious and loving God, bless us with your presence as we worship this day. Bless us with your love, as we grow in love and mature faith. Bless us with your guidance as we give ourselves to you, to your church, and to your work in the world. Amen.

ANTHEM	"Sinfonia" (Bach)	Melinda McCoy-Miller, flute
COMMUNITY PRAYER		Rev. Lattig
CHORAL RESPONSE TO PRAYER		Chancel Choir
KIDS ROCK CHILDREN'S SERMON		Rev. Lattig
SCRIPTURE READ	ING	Kathleen Meredith

#### Romans 12:1-8

12 And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. <sup>2</sup> Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

<sup>3</sup> Because of the privilege and authority God has given me, I give each of you this warning: Don't think you are better than you really are. Be honest in your evaluation of yourselves, measuring yourselves by the faith God has given us. <sup>4</sup> Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, <sup>5</sup> so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other.

<sup>6</sup> In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, speak out with as much faith as God has given you. <sup>7</sup> If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well. <sup>8</sup> If your gift is to encourage others, be encouraging. If it is giving, give generously. If God has given you leadership ability, take the responsibility seriously. And if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly.

> This is the Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God for this Word.

> > "You Do You...For Christ"

OFFERING	Christie Spriggs		
You may leave your offering in the plate in the narthex or scan one of the QR codes on the back of this bulletin to make your offering electronically.			
*DOXOLOGY	UMH 95		
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison) Kathleen Meredith Ever-giving God, help us give as fully to you and to your world as you have given to us Transform our gifts with your			

ou have given to us. Transform our gi love, that they may become vessels of your love for others. Amen.

\*HYMN "Christ, From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 550 v.1-4

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Rev. Lattig

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**Christie Spriggs** 

SERMON

## **This Week's Schedule**

Monday, Aug 28 Tuesday, Aug 29 Wednesday, Aug 30

Thursday, Aug 31 Saturday, Sept 2 Sunday, Sept 3 10 Chair Yoga (HH) 10-3 Life With Joy (HH) 10-3 Life With Joy (HH) 6 Potluck Supper (HH) 10-3 Life With Joy (HH) 9-2 Treasures of Hope 9 Joy Fellowship (HH) 10:30 Sanctuary Service





### **Today's Worship Leaders**

Pastor Liturgist Flute Soloist Music Director Greeter Camera Operator Soundboard Operator Rev. Todd R. Lattig Kathleen Meredith Melinda McCoy-Miller Christie Spriggs Evelyn Cornwell Jen Phlegar Jay Morrison