



Faith Community United Methodist Church

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Sunday July 30, 2017 8th Sunday After Pentecost
10:00 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

PRELUDE

Alan Schwartz

GREETING & VISITOR WELCOME

Joseph Ehrenberger

CALL TO WORSHIP:

It is good to give thanks to the Lord.

To declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night,

To the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.

For you, o Lord have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

*OPENING HYMN: UMH #452 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" *[Red Hymnal]*

*OPENING PRAYER: **Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

[Silent prayers of confession and forgiveness of others]

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS: O God, You have always been faithful in building nations upon the faith of true believers. Lord, use our lives to restore and build the faith of our lost and troubled world. In Christ we pray.

All: **Amen.**

WE RECEIVE THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalms 105:1-11, 45b

*GOSPEL LESSON: Romans 8:26-39

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF PREPARATION: UMH #328 "Surely the Presence of the Lord" *[Red Hymnal]*

HOMILY

Pastor Ronald S. Dodson Sr.

We are ever growing in Christ, inviting each one to make a difference.

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN OF RESPONSE: UMH #334 "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" *[Red Hymnal]*

WE CELEBRATE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

PRAISE REPORTS

PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE OFFER THANKSGIVING

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY: UMH #95 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" *[Red Hymnal]*

WE DEPART TO SERVE

REMINDERS

BLESSING WITH A MISSION

POSTLUDE *Please remain seated until the candles are extinguished and the music is finished.*

Thought for your journey: "I can forgive because through Christ I am forgiven."

Scripture Lessons for Sunday, August 6, 2017:

- Genesis 32
- Psalm 17
- Romans 9
- Matthew 14

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- August 13 - Church Picnic at Double Rock Park following the worship service. See Hattie to sign-up to bring a dish to share.
- Family Movie Night - Friday August 18; see Tui or Tisha for details
- Community Volleyball Returns! - Friday August 25, 6:30 p.m.
- FFitC School Supply Drive and Cook-out - Friday September 1, 6:00 p.m.

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