



Faith Community United Methodist Church

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Sunday, Aug 6, 2017 9th Sunday After Pentecost
10:00 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

PRELUDE

Keith Harmon

GREETING & VISITOR WELCOME

Judy Slide

CALL TO WORSHIP

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness! Come before his presence with singing!

Know that the Lord, who made us, is God.

We are the Lord's; we are the people of God, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and God's courts with praise!

Give thanks and bless God's name!

For the Lord is good;

ALL: God's steadfast love endures forever; God's faithfulness to all generations.

*OPENING HYMN: UMH #374 "Standing on the Promises" *[Red Hymnal]*

PRAYER FOR FAITH: **Merciful God, we reluctantly confess our hesitation to believe your miracles—even the ones we can see in the present. And we admit how much more difficult it is to believe what we have heard and have read about your mysterious and wondrous workings in the past, including the resurrection of Jesus. Forgive us, we pray, and give us a measure of faith like the first disciples. Teach us to trust our hearts as well as our eyes, our spirits as well as our hands. Mostly of all, give us strong faith in the fact of the resurrection of Jesus. It is in His name we pray. Amen.**

[Silent prayers of confession and forgiveness of others]

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Pastor: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God! AMEN.

MUSIC OF PRAISE: FWS #2002 "I Will Call Upon the Lord" *[Black Hymnal]*

WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION: UMH p. 6 *[Red Hymnal]*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Gen 32: 22-31 *[Red Hymnal]*

*GOSPEL LESSON: Matt 14: 13-21

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

People: Thanks be to God!

HYMN OF PREPARATION: UMH #174 "His Name is Wonderful" *[Red Hymnal]*

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

HOMILY

Pastor Ron Dodson

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

COMMUNION HYMN UMH #618 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

THE LORD'S TABLE

UMH pp. 12-15 *[Red Hymnal]*

WE CELEBRATE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

PRAISE REPORTS

PRAYER CONCERNS: *"Turn your eyes upon Jesus. Look full in his wonderful face. And the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace."*

PASTORAL 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, then go to the Fellowship Hall to meet and greet one another.*

Thought for your journey: Every person should have a special cemetery plot in which to bury the faults of friends and loved ones.

["..Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake has forgiven you. Ephesians 4:32]

Scripture Lessons for August 13, 2017:

- Genesis 37
- Psalm 105
- Romans 10
- Matthew 14

Back-to-School Hamilton 2017:

- Friday August 18, 5p-8p - Family Movie Night; "Minions" followed by "Boss Baby"
- Friday August 25, 6:30p-9:30p - Community Volley Ball; youth and adults play Baltimore police and firefighters.
- Friday September 1, 6p-8p - FFitC Cook-out and School Supply drive. Donate new school supplies to be distributed to neighborhood elementary and middle schools.

***Next Sunday - August 14 following worship
Annual Church Picnic at Double Rock Park
Bring a dish to share!***

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