



# Faith Community United Methodist Church

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Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019      9<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost  
10:00 AM      ORDER OF WORSHIP

## WE GATHER FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

PRELUDE

Keith Harmon

GREETING & VISITOR WELCOME

John Grace

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Create a pure heart in me, O God

**And put a new and loyal spirit in me.**

Give me again the joy that comes from your salvation.

**And make me willing to obey you.**

It was faith that made Abraham obey when God called him.

**Grant us that faith, Lord, that we may be found faithful in your sight. Amen.**

\*OPENING HYMN: FWS #2140 "Since Jesus Came into My Heart" *[Black Hymnal]*

PRAYER FOR FAITH:

**Lord may this time of worship be an occasion for the renewal of our faith. We like to think we are in control of our lives, and often we hesitate or refuse opportunities that would have us move out without knowing exactly what is in store for us. May we learn from the example of Abraham to put our trust in you, and when we hear you calling, may we be willing, yes, eager, to respond, even though we do not know what the future will bring. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*[Silent prayers of confession and forgiveness of others]*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

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.**

## WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION: UMH p. 6

*[Red Hymnal]*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 50:1-8; 22-23 (UMH #783)

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

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Hebrews 11;1-3, 8-16

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

People: **Thanks be to God!**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE: FWS #2031 "We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise" *[Black Hymnal]*

YOUNG PEOPLE'S BLESSING: Kate Ehrenberger

FWS #2233 "Where Children Belong"

*This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.*

HYMN OF PREPARATION: FWS #2016 "Glorify Thy Name"

*[Black Hymnal]*

HOMILY: Pastor Ron Dodson

### **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: *Almighty God, use these gifts, we pray, to make your Church more venturesome. Instill it with a new spirit of service that it may truly be your servant, ministering to the needs of the world. Amen.*

\*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:** God stays close to me, and I will stay close to God.

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**Scripture Lessons for August 18, 2019:**

- Isaiah 5:1-7
- Psalm 80:1-19
- Hebrews 11:29-12.2
- Luke 12:49-56

**Calendar:**

- BACK 2 SCHOOL BLOCK PARTY, Friday August 23, 6:30-9:30pm in the parking lot and on Gibbons Ave. School supply donations are needed. Please place them in the box in the sanctuary lobby.

**HELP WANTED:** Volunteers are needed to set-up, host and clean-up for the BACK 2 SCHOOL BLOCK PARTY. Use this link to sign-up online <https://forms.gle/rFPtBpNqNi57X12x8>, or see Tisha.



*Today, at Double Rock Park in Parkville.  
See you there!*