Perry Hall United Methodist Church

September 3, 2023

(**Stand as you are able)

WELCOME – RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

~Please sign the Ritual of Friendship and pass down the row. When everyone has signed, please pass it back to the center, noting those on your row that you may not know. Be sure to greet them after the service!~

ORGAN PRELUDE "Elegy" Lani Smith

CHORAL INTROIT "Psalm 103" Richard Proulx

**OPENING HYMN "Lift High The Cross" pg. 159 UMH

** CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

P: and also with you.

L: The risen Christ is with us.

P: Praise the Lord!

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.

CHILDREN'S STORY

**PRAISE SONGS "Lord, I Lift Your Name"

"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"
"His Name Is Wonderful"

"Beautiful"

CELEBRATION OF OUR SHARED MINISTRY

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC "America The Beautiful" arr. Noreen Lienhard

Don Appel, Keyboard Solo

**SCRIPTURE Matthew 16:21-28 The Gospel

**Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

THE MESSAGE "Take Up The Cross" Rev. Margery Schammel

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

~~~~(A time of silent confession)~~~~

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

P: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: Glory to God. Amen.

#### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** (Musical Setting A, pp. 17-18 UMH)

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: It is right, and a good and joyful thing .... And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

All singing: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

L: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ .... in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All singing: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

L: Pour out your Holy Spirit .... all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

All singing: Amen, amen, amen.

#### **GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

~Please follow the direction of the ushers. You will come to the table by the center aisle. You will partake of the bread and cup. You may kneel for prayer after. You will return to your seats by the side aisles.~

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*\*CLOSING HYMN "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" pg. 581 UMH

\*\*BENEDICTION

**SENDING FORTH** "Everything's Gonna Be Alright"

ORGAN POSTLUDE "Recessional in D" James Mansfield

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**Children's Story** – Pastor Margery

**Acolyte** – Leona Mager

Altar Guild – Kaye Pokrzywa & Gloria Barlow

#### MESSAGE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

"Forgive and Forget?" - Matthew 18:15-20

#### **OUR PRAYER LIST**

Carol Knapp, Danny Benner, Dewayne Rye, Julie Rye, and those needing ongoing prayer.

#### **CHURCH EVENTS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday Coffee Hour 10:45-11:45 am

Monday Labor Day

**Tuesday** Scouts 6:00-7:00 & 7:00-8:00 pm

Wednesday Band Rehearsal 7:00

Thursday United Women of Faith 7:00 pm

Scouts 6:15-7:30 pm

Friday

Saturday Thrift Shop 9:00 am-12 pm

Private Event – Fellowship Hall 2-5 pm

**Last day for Chili Orders!!** Pick up is next Sunday after church.

**Consecration of our Education Ministries** is next Sunday.

Cafeteria Manager's Training is September 16<sup>th</sup> from 9am-4pm.

**Annual Church Picnic** is September 17<sup>th</sup>. Signup on bulletin board.

Meet & Greet and Trivia is September 19<sup>th</sup>. Info in narthex.

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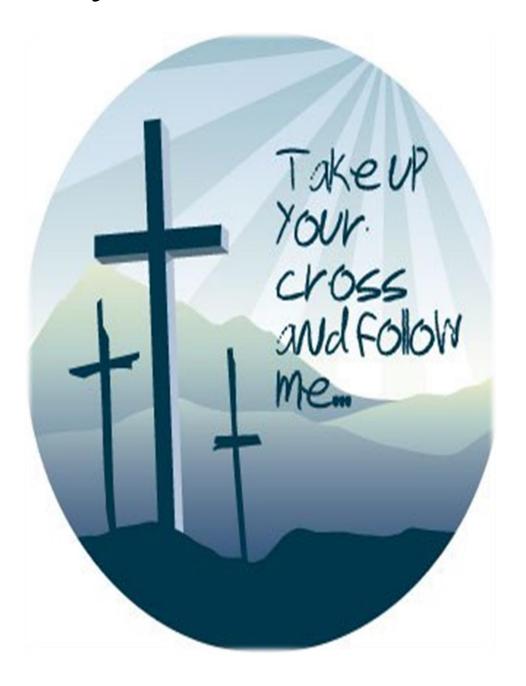
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