

Perry Hall United Methodist Church

September 7, 2025

Labor Day Weekend

(**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 in your row that you may not know. Be sure to greet them after the service! ~

ORGAN PRELUDE “Cathedral Prelude” James Southbridge

CHORAL INTROIT “Our Prayer” Brian Wilson

****OPENING HYMN** “Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word” pg. 596 UMH

** CALL TO WORSHIP

L: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.

P: Every day, I will bless you, and praise your name forever and ever.

L: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

P: his greatness is unsearchable.

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious and holy God, we come to you as children. Be with us as we learn to see one another with new eyes, hear one another with new hearts, and treat one another in a new way. Amen.

BLESSING OF THE EDUCATION MINISTRY

L: Let us recognize those who have responded to the call of God to share their gifts in the ministry of education. Those who are called to this ministry need our loyal support and our prayers. Let us pray.

Eternal God, you have entrusted us with the message of your power, grace, justice, and love. Provide for us your guidance, that we may all be teachers and learners together. May those called to ministries of teaching and learning serve you in nurturing the spiritual growth of all who are entrusted to their care. Bless each one gathered before us, enabling them to be channels of your grace. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

To Education Ministry Leaders: You have recognized God’s call in your lives. Will you be faithful to the task which God has given you, taking seriously the commitments of time and talent?

To students of all ages: Will you be faithful to study the Bible and learn about God so that you may live the way Jesus wants us to live?

P: We pledge ourselves to pray for you and for the educational ministry of this congregation. We pledge ourselves to enable, encourage, and love you in

this ministry. We pledge ourselves to be learners with you, diligently studying with you the scriptures and traditions of the faith.

PRESENTATION OF A BIBLE AND A PRAYER OF BLESSING

We celebrate the presentation of an NRSV engraved Bible to Cameron Cordell. We pray that God will guide him as he studies the holy scripture and grows as a disciple of Christ. When you see him, please congratulate him on this important step in his faith journey.

CHILDREN’S STORY

****PRAISE SONGS** “Come, Now Is the Time to Worship”
“I Will Call Upon the Lord”
“I Sing Praises”
“How Great Is Our God”

OUR SHARED MINISTRY

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

ANTHEM “We Are Called” David Haas

SCRIPTURE Philemon 1-21 pg. 215-216 - **The New Testament**

THE MESSAGE “Love In Context” **Pastor 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: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

P: Alleluia! 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 Christin 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 receive the bread and cup, then move to the railing where you may kneel, or stand, and take communion. 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** "When the Church of Jesus" pg. 592 UMH

****BENEDICTION**

****SENDING FORTH** "I Will Sing of the Mercies"

ORGAN POSTLUDE "Festal Postlude" Robert Powell



The Altar Vases are to the Glory of God and in memory of those whose lives were lost on 9/11 and in honor of the many brave heroes who made a difference. May they always be remembered for their valor. Given with love by Diane and Eddie.

Acolyte – Catherine Reinhart

Children's Story – Denise Boyd

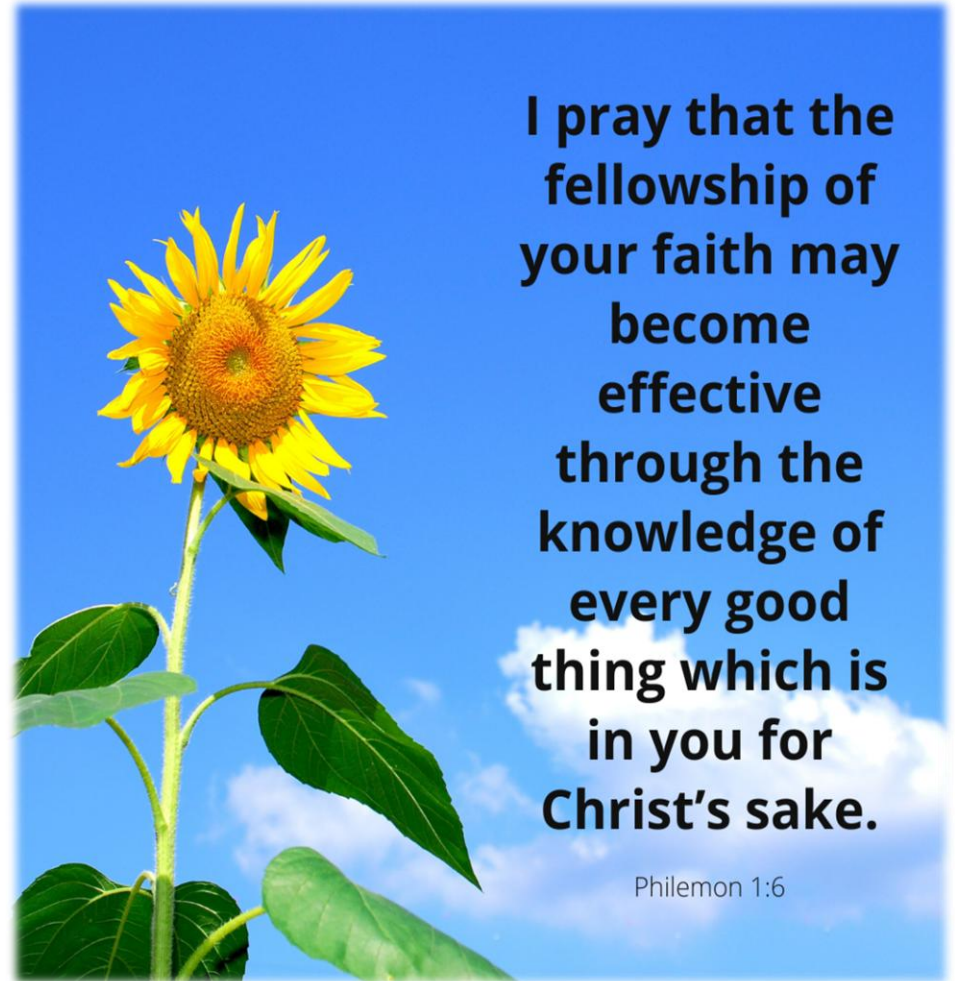
MESSAGE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

"Foremost Sinner" – Scripture: 1 Timothy 1: 12-17

OUR PRAYER LIST

Danny Benner, those suffering with cancer, debilitating illnesses and addictions, those in war-torn countries, those affected by senseless acts of violence and terrorism, those dealing with loss of loved ones, and those needing ongoing prayer.

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I pray that the fellowship of your faith may become effective through the knowledge of every good thing which is in you for Christ's sake.

Philemon 1:6

[PHUMC Mission Statement](#)

We are a Christ centered community compelled by God to share God's unconditional love with everyone, outwardly focused and growing in faith.

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CHURCH EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Church Picnic after church
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Tuesday	Trustees Meeting 7 pm Scouts 6 – 7:45 pm
Wednesday	Choir and Band Rehearsal 7 pm
Thursday	United Women of Faith 7 pm
Friday	KC Dance 5:30-8:30 pm
Saturday	Thrift Shop 9 am-12 pm Folk Music Night 7 pm

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