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Sunday Service Bulletin

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We Purify In Hope

How Shall We Live Worship Series

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship



**** P - Pastor. Bold - C: Congregation responds ****

P: How shall we live when lavished with love?

C: We are God's children, but it has not been revealed what we are to become in the future.

P: Just as in our origins, our future is tied to our planet.

C: Creator has given us partners for mutual flourishing.

ALL: Let us worship God, who makes all things new. Amen!

Our Statement of Faith – The Apostles Creed p. 881 UMH

**** All to recite in unison ****

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Gloria Patri p. 70 UMH

Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.

Opening Hymn – Precious Lord, Take My Hand p. 474 UMH

Sharing Our Praises & Prayers

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer - (prayed in unison)

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom,
and the power and the glory forever. Amen!

Offering - Ushers come forward

Doxology p. 95 UMH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Psalm 4 (CEB)

**** L (Leader) C (Congregation) ****

L: ¹ Answer me when I cry out, my righteous God! Set me free
from my troubles! Have mercy on me! Listen to my prayer!

**C: ² How long, you people, will my reputation be insulted? How
long will you continue to love what is worthless and go after
lies? *Selah***

L: ³ Know this: the Lord takes personal care of the faithful. The
Lord will hear me when I cry out to him.

**C: ⁴ So be afraid, and don't sin! Think hard about it in your bed
and weep over it! *Selah***

L: ⁵ Bring righteous offerings, and trust the Lord!

**C: ⁶ Many people say, "We can't find goodness anywhere. The
light of your face has left us, Lord!"**

L: ⁷ But you have filled my heart with more joy than when their
wheat and wine are everywhere!

**C: ⁸ I will lie down and fall asleep in peace because you alone
Lord, let me live in safety.**

Hymn – Take Time To Be Holy p. 395 UMH

Gospel Reading – 1 John 3:1-7 (CEB)

¹ See what kind of love the Father has given to us in that we should be called God's children, and that is what we are! Because the world didn't recognize him, it doesn't recognize us. ² Dear friends, now we are God's children, and it hasn't yet appeared what we will be. We know that when he appears we will be like him because we'll see him as he is. ³ And all who have this hope in him purify themselves even as he is pure. ⁴ Every person who practices sin commits an act of rebellion, and sin is rebellion. ⁵ You know that he appeared to take away sins, and there is no sin in him. ⁶ Every person who remains in relationship to him does not sin. Any person who sins has not seen him or known him. ⁷ Little children, make sure no one deceives you. The person who practices righteousness is righteous, in the same way that Jesus is righteous.

Sermon – We Purify In Hope

Closing Hymn – Lord, I Want To Be A Christian p. 402 UMH

Benediction & Commission

**** P (Pastor) C: (Congregation) ****

P: Love will come to perfection in us when we can face the day of judgment without fear – because our relation to this world is just like Christ's. There is no fear in love, for perfect love drives out fear.

C: **Mountains and valleys, flora and fauna, receive your love and echo with praise.**

P: Our Salvation comes from the Lord, who has created all things known and unknown, and continues to create today and He equips each one of us individually and communally as stewards to care for all creation.

2Amen!

Announcements

- A gift has been given to the glory of God and in memory of Margaret Pilcher by Frances V. Gough.
- A gift has been given to the Glory of God and in memory of Margaret Pilcher by Faye Seats.
- A gift has been given to the Glory of God and in memory of Patsy Beroth by Faye Seats.

Prayer List

Military / Missionary

Steve and Lena Gough

All who are serving our country at home and abroad

Church Family

Wayne Bumgardner

Frank Dalton

Jenny Davis

Sherry Doub

Frances V. Gough

Wanda Needham

Barbara Perryman

The Family of Margaret Pilcher

Frances Sisk

Eleanor Thompson

Church Friend / Extended Family

Tommy Bost	Jeannette Lanier
Jane Bullin	Kevin McBride
Leisha Carpenter	Kevin McDaniel
Glenna Culler	Matt McKnight
Joe Dean	Mark Megela
Randy DePew	Marie Parrish
Amanda Doub	Dawn Proctor
Ruby Driver	Jay D. Prevette
Joanne Everhart	Vivian Royal
Mary & Francis File	Mary Ellen Smith
Garry Harbin	Mark Wall
Kathy Harbin	Ann Wallace
Gail Howard	Robert and Susan Warren
Randy Hunter	Savannah Wooten
Amber Lambert	

April Birthdays

Wesley McBride	1	Ronnie Southern	26
John Seats	4	Brad Collins	27
Ralph Minder	7	Sadie Disher	27
Susie Seats-Edwards	9	Annabel Mark	28
Jeremy Gearheart	10	Autumn Atkinson	28
Caroline Burton	11	Hugh McBride	30
Bradley Thompson	21	Faye Seats	30

Wesley Covenant Prayer

I am no longer my own, but thine.

Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.

Put me to doing, put me to suffering.

Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,
exalted for thee or brought low for thee.

Let me be full, let me be empty.

Let me have all things, let me have nothing.

I freely and heartily yield all things
to thy pleasure and disposal.

And now, O glorious and blessed God,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.

And the covenant which I have made on earth,
let it be ratified in heaven. Amen!