

# Sunday, September 21, 2025

Prayer candles are available at the communion rail Financial gifts may be made in the wooden offering boxes Please silence your electronic devices

# THE GATHERING & CARILLON PRELUDE

#### THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

The Servant Song

Alan Bullard

Text & Tune at TFWS #2222

#### THE CALL TO WORSHIP\*

Liturgist

We gather together in love,

the love of God,

whose love for us drenches us with God's goodness.

Liturgist

Awaken our minds with curiosity and openness,

to remember your love for our world and all its children.

Liturgist

Nourish our hearts with compassion,

to put loving you, God, before our pursuit of wealth.

Liturgist

Nurture our souls with awareness,

to recognize where we can serve you in the world.

Liturgist

Renew our strength with your Spirit,

and turn our thoughts into loving action.

Liturgist

We gather together to love the Lord our God,

with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind and with all our strength.

# THE ENTRANCE HYMN\*

UMH #399

Take My Life, and Let it Be

# THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION\*

Gracious and generous God, you lavishly bestow the gift of your love. Forgive us, we pray,

when we don't see or recognize your gifts for what they are;

when we think we have somehow earned or are entitled to your generosity;

when we take what you give and beg you for more;

when we hoard our gifts and do not hear the mournful cry of those around us;

when our desire for more plunges us into ruin and destruction.

Teach us the ways of godliness, and grant us a spirit of contentment, that we may be grateful for your provision and share the gifts you give with others.

As we are blessed by you, so may we be a blessing to others, in the name of your matchless gift, our Savior Jesus Christ. AMEN.

#### THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON\*

Pastor

People of God, do not set your hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on the richness of God, who provides us everything for our enjoyment. Be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

#### AMEN.

THE GLORIA PATRI\*

UMH #70

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Timothy 2: 1 - 7

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Rollo Dilworth

Serve the Lord With Gladness

THE THANKSGIVING & DOXOLOGY\*

UMH #94

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 16: 1 - 13

**THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD** TFWS #2175 Together We Serve

The Descript of C

**THE MESSAGE**Holy Currencies
The Reverend Don Ackerman

THE CLOSING HYMN\*

UMH #670

Go Forth For God

THE BENEDICTION\*

THE POSTLUDE

Ian Hunt

Toccata Giocosa

\* - Please stand as you are able TFWS - The Faith We Sing UMH - The United Methodist Hymnal

#### THIS WEEK AT CROSSROADS

Wednesday, September 24

Men's Prayer Breakfast 9:00 am - Wesley Hall

Friday, September 26

Gibbs Food Ministry 2:00 pm - Education Wing

# PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Reverend Don Ackerman Pastor

> Amy Roberts Liturgist

Julie Smith
Director of Children's Ministries

The Crossroads Choir

Beth Polen, Director of Music Ministries

Christopher Dazey Organist, Pianist & Carillonneur



9/23 - Gregory Radosevic, Jhena Smith 9/25 - Caroline Kliem 9/26 - Josie Musisca 9/27 - David Ewing

# **Crossroads Community Action**

Our Next Meetings: **Today!** 

11:15 am - Wesley Hall See Megan Smith for details Everyone is welcome!

# **Humane Society Fundraiser**

Alex Keller is hosting a fundraiser for the Stark County Humane Society today in the rear of the sanctuary

Any donations you wish to make will be greatly appreciated!

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To help keep our sacred space clean, at the conclusion of the service, please return this bulletin to one of the wooden tables located throughout the sanctuary