



15th Sunday after Pentecost; Family Sunday September 18, 2022, 10 a.m. (In-Person & Online) First United Methodist Church of Riverside

First United Methodist Church of Riverside (<u>https://firstchurchriverside.org</u>)

ALL ARE WELCOME TO WORSHIP IN-PERSON OR ONLINE AT 10:00 a.m. https://facebook.com/firstchurchriverside/live

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## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

## \*Please stand as you are comfortable.

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES / Lilly and Julia Zeeb, Acolytes

**PRELUDE:** "Our Father in Heaven" by Heinrich Scheidemann / Robert Phillips, Organist

## **\*TRINITY BELLS**

\*CHORAL INTROIT: "This Is the Day" by Hal H. Hopson / The Aldersgate Chorale (Directed by Yvonne Flagg; Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Jeremiah 8, Psalm 79) / Cindy Marr, Liturgist (Liturgist) Is God not in Zion? Is there no ruler to lead us?

(People) Search for the Lord, for God waits where we least expect it.

- (L) Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no healer to help us?
- (P) Cry out to the Lord, for God hears our pleas.
- (L) Is there no hope left to be found? Is there nowhere to turn?
- (P) Place your trust in the Lord, whose compassion comes speedily to meet us.
- (P) Come, worship the one who hears our pleas.
- (All) We will enter God's gates with hope and gladness. Amen!

# **\*OPENING HYMN: #2172 TFWS** "We Are Called" by David Haas / All / Led by The Response

# Verse 1

Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord! We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God!

# Refrain

We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly, we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God!

# Verse 2

Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear! We are called to be hope for the hopeless so all hatred and blindness will be no more! *Refrain* 

# Verse 3

Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love! *Refrain* 

WELCOME / The Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST (Adapted from 1 Timothy 2)

(Pastor) When we offer supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgiving for others, we discover Christ's peace – a peace that passes all understanding. Let us share signs of this peace with one another. Peace be with you!

# (All) Peace be with you!

# THE CHURCH AT PRAYER

- Sharing of Joys and Concerns
- Pastoral Prayer
- The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

PRAYER RESPONSE: "Give Ear to Our Prayer, O God" by Hal H. Hopson

CHILDREN'S MOMENT / Lyn Knowles

#### **SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

**<u>Romans 14:17</u>** (NRSV) *The Kingdom of God* For the kingdom of God is not food and drink but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

## Philippians 3:20-4:1 (NRSV)

Our Citizenship Is in Heaven

<sup>20</sup> But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>21</sup> He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself.

<sup>4:1</sup> Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

(Liturgist): This is the Word of God for the People of God!

(All): Thanks be to God! Amen!

**INTERLUDE:** "The Commission" by David Blake Neesmith, Carter Jon Frodge, Madison Cain, Taylor Cain, and Logan Cain

\*GOSPEL READING: Luke 17:20-21 (NRSV)

The Kingdom of God

<sup>20</sup> Once Jesus was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was coming, and he answered, "The kingdom of God is not coming with things that can be observed; <sup>21</sup> nor will they say, 'Look, here it is!' or 'There it is!' For, in fact, the kingdom of God is among you."

(Liturgist): This is the Gospel of Christ.

(All): Glory to you, O Christ! Amen!

ANTHEM: "A Canon of Praise" by Natalie Sleeth

**SERMON: "THY KINGDOM COME, THY WILL BE DONE"** ("Relearning the Lord's Prayer" Sermon Series 3 of 7) / The Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION: #601** "Thy Word Is a Lamp" by Dan Schutte / **All** *Chorus* 

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Verse 1

When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me, And nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end.

#### Chorus

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

#### Instrumental

## Chorus

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

# Verse 2

Now I will not forget your love for me and yet my heart forever is wandering. Jesus, be my guide and hold me to your side, and I will love you to the end.

# Chorus

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path, and a light unto my path.

# **INVITATION TO THE OFFERING** (Adapted from Luke 16)

(Liturgist) God has made us stewards of true riches that we may live and work tirelessly as children of light. May we be found faithful in what we have received, that God will bless us abundantly, as we work to bring the kingdom of God into our midst. **(All) Amen!** 

(Liturgist) I invite the ushers to come forward to collect the offering.

OFFERTORY: "Improvisation on 'Rejoice, the Lord Is King'" by Charles Callahan

\*OFFERING SONG / ALL / Led by Kris Lovekin As we seek your face, may we know your heart, feel your presence, acceptance, as we seek your face. Jesus, draw me close, closer, Lord, to you. Let the world around me fade away. Jesus, draw me close, closer, Lord, to you. For I desire to worship and obey.

\*UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Adapted from Luke 16)

Source of every good gift, you call us to be wise with the true riches of your kingdom. May this offering show such wisdom that, having been found faithful in a little, you will trust us to be faithful in much. We offer you these gifts in gratitude for your love, that they may bring healing and light to those who need your balm of Gilead. Amen.

LAITY BLESSINGS / Loretta Cudney, Co-Lay Leader

**\*SENDING HYMN:** "All the People Said Amen" by Matt Maher, Trevor Morgan, Paul Moak / All

#### Verse 1

You are not alone if you are lonely. When you feel afraid, you're not the only. We are all the same, in need of mercy, To be forgiven and be free. It's all you got to lean on, But thank God it's all you need.

#### **Chorus**

And all the people said amen. (whoa) And all the people said amen. Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends. And all the people said amen.

## Verse 2

If you're rich or poor, well, it don't matter. Weak or strong, you know love is what we're after. We're all broken, but we're all in this together. God knows we stumble and fall, And He so loved the world He sent His son to save us all.

## <u>Chorus</u>

And all the people said amen. (whoa) And all the people said amen. Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends. And all the people said amen.

## **Bridge**

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart. Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart. Blessed are the people hungry for another start, For theirs is the kingdom, the kingdom of God.

## **Chorus**

And all the people said amen. (whoa) And all the people said amen. Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends. And all the people said amen.

## **\*BENEDICTION**

## POSTLUDE: "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" by Edwin T. Childs

## CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO THE WORLD



Chris & Cindy Jensen, Bill Kerrick's family, Jim & Genette Sizer, Jim Ashworth, Deborah Hofmann's family, Georgia Miller's family, Mary Herrmann, Chandra Roberts, Roy Riggs, Lolita Manacop's son, Benjamin, and daughter, Moonin, Derrick, son of Kim and Brad Austin and grandson of Judy Bello, Alissa Ashworth, Donald Greywood

You are invited to submit names requesting prayers. We will list them here, and they will remain for 3 months. To add names or remove names, please contact our church office. <u>fumc@FirstChurchRiverside.org</u> 951-683-7831



We are grateful for the Worship/Media Team members who have faithfully served today:

> Organist/Accompanist: Robert Phillips Acolytes: Lilly and Julia Zeeb Liturgist: Cindy Marr Hymn Leaders and Interlude: The Response / John Zeeb, Jeff Ashworth, Bob Banks, Kyle Grimes, and Rev. Bev Devine Children's Time: Lyn Knowles Laity Blessings: Loretta Cudney, Co-Lay Leader Online Greeter: Mary Herrmann Altar Décor: The Décor Team Head Usher: Matt Gorder Media/Livestream Team: Dan, Carmen, and Gayla Lonsbery; Don Knowles



#### THE WEEK AHEAD AT FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Please contact the church office for more details.

#### Sunday, September 18

Children's Chime Choir (Fellowship Hall) - 9:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary) Worship - "The Lord's Prayer" Sermon Series (3 of 7) – 10 a.m. Missions Garden (Patio) – 11 a.m. Church School (Club Ark and Nursery) - 10:15 a.m. – 11 a.m. 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Task Force Meeting (Zoom) – 7 p.m.

#### Monday, September 19

Finance Committee Mtg. (Zoom) – 5:30 p.m. Christian Education Mtg. (Zoom) – 7 p.m. Church Council Mtg. (Zoom) – 7 p.m.

#### Tuesday, September 19

Bell Choir Rehearsal (Mary's Kitchen) - 7 p.m.

#### Wednesday, September 21

UMiF/UMW Meeting (Zoom) - 1 p.m. Bible Study - "The Bible Year" (Zoom) - 7 p.m.

#### Thursday, September 22

UMiF "Bad Girls of the Bible" Study (Zoom) - 6:45 p.m. Aldersgate Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) -7 p.m.

#### Sunday, September 25

Children's Chime Choir (Fellowship Hall) - 9:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary) Worship - "The Lord's Prayer" Sermon Series (4 of 7) – 10 a.m. Church School (Club Ark and Nursery) - 10:15 a.m. – 11 a.m.

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