

Wesley United Methodist Church

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

July 24, 2022

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost/Confirmation Sunday

At Wesley we foster a sanctuary culture by creating a safe environment where all feel welcomed, loved, accepted, valued, and affirmed for who they are, through intentional practices such as empathy, compassion, generosity, hospitality, and inclusion.

For the safety of every worshipper, please observe the following guidelines regardless of your vaccine status.

- **Wear a mask covering your mouth and nose all the time during worship.**
 - **Keep social distancing in your sanctuary seating.**
 - **Please let an usher know if you have questions, need assistance, or have a concern about health or safety.**
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Prelude

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross
Evocation

William Ness, organ
Dale Wood 1934-2003
Gilbert Martin b. 1942

Greeting & Announcement

*Call to Worship

Gifty Bentum-Asante, Liturgist

One: Let us hear what God the Most High will speak;

Many: For God will speak peace to God's people who turn to God in their hearts.

One: Surely salvation is at hand for those who revere God;

Many: That the glory of God may dwell in God's people.

One: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;

Many: Righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

All: God will give what is good. Righteousness will go before God, and will make a path for God's steps.

*Hymn

"We Gather Together"

UMH 131

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
he chastens and hastens his will to make known.
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.
Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;
so from the beginning the fight we were winning;
thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,
and pray that thou still our defender wilt be.
Let thy congregation escape tribulation;
Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

*Please stand in body or in spirit.

Ayeyi Wura (You Own Our Praise) [Feel free to sing in either language]

A-ye-yi Wurae' ----A-ye-yi Wurae'
Ye yi W'ayε Na yε Ma Wo so!

English:

*You own our praise! You own our praise!
We praise you, Lord, and we lift you high!*

I will lift up your name higher

I will lift up your name higher...

Great Jehovah you are wonderful
I will lift up your name higher...

Common Prayer (*unison*)

O God, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts on us than we are to seek them, and are willing to give more than we desire or deserve. Help us so to seek that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, so to knock that the door of your mercy may be opened to us; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Children's Conversation

Rev. Stacey Lanier

The Offering

Offertory

Poeme Mystique

Richard Purvis 1913-1994

*Doxology

UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People, & the Lord's Prayer

"Cares Chorus"

TFWS 2215

I cast all my cares upon you, I lay all of my burdens down at your feet,
and anytime that I don't know what to do, I will cast all my cares upon you.

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.

Handbell Quartet

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

Michael Keller b. 1949

William Ness, Debbie O'Driscoll, Jacalyn Wetton, Joseph Wetton

* Gospel Reading

Luke 11:1-13

Message

Rev. Byungmoo Lee

*Hymn

It Is Well with My Soul

UMH 377

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

[Refrain] It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and hath shed his own blood for my soul.

[Refrain]

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part but the whole,
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

[Refrain]

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
the trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
even so, it is well with my soul.

[Refrain]

*Shalom

Mensah Essilfie

God's peace be unto you,
We wish you Shalom!
The peace of God which transcends all
understanding be with you forevermore.

*Benediction

Postlude

Postlude in G

Arnold Cooke 1906-2005

Call to Worship – Psalm 85 ALT. *The New Testament and Psalms: An Inclusive Version*, Oxford Univ. Press.

Common Prayer – *The United Methodist Book of Worship*, 467.

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