

# Wesley United Methodist Church

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

August 4, 2024

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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*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.*

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***Please let an usher know if you have questions, need assistance, or have a concern about health or safety.***

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Prelude

“Chorus of Worship”

Ellen Jane Lorenz

Greeting

\*Call to Worship

One: Create in me a clean heart, O God;

**Many: Put a new and right spirit within me.**

One: Do not cast me away from your presence;

**Many: Do not take your holy spirit from me.**

One: Restore to me the joy of your salvation;

**Many: Sustain in me a willing spirit.**

\*Hymn

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

UMH 101

From all that dwell below the skies,  
let the Creator’s praise arise;  
let the Redeemer’s name be sung,  
through every land by every tongue.

Eternal are thy mercies, Lord;  
eternal truth attends thy word.  
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,  
till suns shall rise and set no more.

Your lofty themes, ye mortals, bring,  
in songs of praise divinely sing;  
the great salvation loud proclaim,  
and shout for joy the Savior’s name.

In every land begin the song;  
to every land the strains belong;  
in cheerful sounds all voices raise,  
and fill the world with loudest praise.

**\*Please stand in body or in spirit.**

\*Praise Songs

**God You're So Good**

God you're so good. God you are kind.  
God you are wonderful. My God, you are excellent...

Excellent is Thy name. Excellent is Thy might.  
God you are wonderful. My God you are excellent...

**Unto The Lord Be the Glory**

Unto the Lord be the glory. Great things He has done...  
Great things He has done. Greater things He will do.  
Unto the Lord be the glory. Great things He has done...

Common Prayer (*unison*)

**Almighty God,  
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry  
with the bread of his life  
and the Word of his kingdom.  
Renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your true and living bread,  
Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Children's Time

VBS Presentation

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

"Come and Fill Our Hearts"

TFWS 2157

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.  
You alone, O Lord, are holy.  
Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Alleluia!

**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.**

The Offering

Offertory Anthem

Amman Mma – Children of the World

Children of the world, children of the world, praise the Lord, for He is a mighty King.  
Children of the world, children of the world, praise the Lord, for He is a mighty King.  
He has conquered death. When He speaks, everything remains still. He is a conqueror. We will  
worship Him always.

Children of the world, children of the world, praise the Lord, for he is a mighty King.  
Children of the world, go! We will sing for Him. We will shout praises unto Him.  
We will magnify Him always. We will give him all the glory and honor.

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! Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Passing of Peace

“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.

\*Gospel Reading

John 6:24-35

Message

Holy Communion

“The Great Thanksgiving”

UMH 13-14

*The United Methodist Church practices Open Communion. All who desire to live in the love and peace of Jesus Christ are welcome to the bread and cup of communion. At the direction of the ushers, come forward using the center aisle to stand or kneel at the communion rail for distribution of the elements. After consuming the elements and private prayer at the rail, you may return to your seat via the side aisles. Please alert the ushers to anyone wishing to be served while remaining seated in the sanctuary. Non-alcoholic grape juice is used, and gluten-free wafers are available.*

Announcement

\*Hymn

“Hope of the World”

UMH 178

Hope of the world, thou Christ of great compassion,  
 speak to our fearful hearts by conflict rent.  
 Save us, thy people, from consuming passion,  
 who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.

Hope of the world, God’s gift from highest heaven,  
 bringing to hungry souls the bread of life,  
 still let thy spirit unto us be given,  
 to heal earth’s wounds and end all bitter strife.

Hope of the world, afoot on dusty highways,  
 showing to wandering souls the path of light,  
 walk thou beside us lest the tempting byways  
 lure us away from thee to endless night.

Hope of the world, who by thy cross didst save us  
from death and dark despair, from sin and guilt,  
we render back the love thy mercy gave us;  
take thou our lives, and use them as thou wilt.

Hope of the world, O Christ o'er death victorious,  
who by this sign didst conquer grief and pain,  
we would be faithful to thy gospel glorious;  
thou art our Lord! Thou dost forever reign.

\*Benediction

Postlude

“The Power and the Glory”

Roy E. Nolte

Worship Leaders: Rhianna Burke, Desmond Cheetham, David Dagle, Ronna Davis, Earl Flagg, Allison Hansen,  
Chris Kerns, Byungmoo Lee, Debbie O'Driscoll, Jennifer Quansah, Ghanaian Choir, Worship Tech Team

Call to Worship – Psalm 51 ALT. *The New Testament and Psalms: An Inclusive Version*, Oxford Univ. Press.  
Common Prayer – *Book of Common Worship*, Westminster/John Knox Press, 1993, p. 366.  
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