

# Wesley United Methodist Church

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

October 27, 2024

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost/Reformation Sunday

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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

Be Thou My Vision

Edward Broughton  
SLANE

Greeting

\*Call to Worship

One: I will bless God at all times;

**Many: God's praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

One: I sought God, who answered me;

**Many: God delivered me from all my fears.**

One: This poor soul cried, and was heard by God;

**Many: God saved me from every trouble.**

One: O taste and see that God is good;

**Many: Happy are those who take refuge in God.**

\*Hymn

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

UMH 110

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;  
his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,  
on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,  
were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.

Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he;  
Lord Sabaoth, his name, from age to age the same,  
and he must with the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,  
we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us.

The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him;  
his rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure;  
one little word shall fell him.

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

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;  
the Spirit and the gifts are ours, thru him who with us sideth.  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;  
the body they may kill; God's truth abideth still;  
his kingdom is forever.

\*Praise Songs

**Praise, O Praise, My God and King**

Praise, O praise, my God and King.  
Hymns of adoration, sing;  
For his mercies, shall endure; Ever faithful, ever sure ...  
  
Alleluia, Alleluia!  
King of Kings and Lord of Lords!  
For his mercies, shall endure; Ever faithful ever sure...

**We Will Celebrate Our God**

We will celebrate our God!...  
Let his banner be raised, let his glory be seen.  
We will celebrate our God!...

Prayer for the Church (*unison*)

**O gracious God, we pray for your holy Church universal,  
that you would be pleased to fill it with all truth, in all peace.  
Where it is corrupt, purify it;  
where it is in error, direct it;  
where in any thing it is amiss, reform it;  
where it is right, establish it;  
where it is divided, reunite it;  
for the sake of him who died and rose again,  
and ever lives to make intercession for us,  
Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.**

Children's Time

Reception of New Members

Justina Amoako, Jemima Boakye,  
Danny Winder, Veronica Winder

*The congregation responds:*

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love.  
As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United  
Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the  
Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service, that in everything God may be  
glorified through Jesus Christ.**

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 Music

Suo Mo Muo (Hold on to me)

Emmanuel K. B. Attah

Hold on to me, Father, hold on to me always  
Hold on to me, my Lord, hold on to me always  
When I am with you, I am victorious. I owe my success to you.  
So, give me patience, blessings and love. Hold on to me.  
My Lord, hold on to me always.

\*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! Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Passing of Peace

Shalom

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

\*Gospel Reading

Mark 10:46-52

Anthem

Debbie O'Driscoll, soloist

"O Taste and See"

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1876-1958)

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is. Blest is the one who trusteth in God.

Message

Announcement

\*Hymn

“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

UMH 430

O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free;  
tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love;  
teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee in closer, dearer company,  
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong;

In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future’s broadening way,  
in peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.

\*Benediction

Postlude

Ye Holy Angels Bright

Franklin Ritter  
DARWALL'S 148th

Anthem note: This anthem was composed for the coronation of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Worship Leaders: Naa Dromo Aryee, Gifty Bentum-Asante, Desmond Cheetham, David Dagle,  
Ronna Davis, Sharon Henderson, Chris Kerns, Byungmoo Lee, Debbie O’Driscoll, David Potts,  
Jennifer Quansah, Chancel Choir, Ghanaian Choir, Worship Tech Team

Call to Worship – Psalm 34 ALT. *The New Testament and Psalms: An Inclusive Version*, Oxford Univ. Press.  
Prayer for the Church – *The United Methodist Book of Worship*, 501, ALT.  
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