

YOU
BELONG
here

***Please stand if you are able**
UMH is United Methodist Hymnal (red book)
TFWS is The Faith We Sing (black book)

Welcome to Worship

Brief Announcements with Welcoming Prayer

Call to Worship (*responsive*):

Leader: Come to Christ, our cornerstone.

All: Christ has called us here.

L: Trust in God, our firm foundation.

A: God is with us here.

L: Rest in the Spirit, our peace beyond peace.

A: May the Spirit guide our way.

Opening Prayer (*in unison*):

All: Mighty God, we want to be brave, but it's tempting to be small and afraid. Lift us up when we fall down. Protect us from our own doubts and fears. Shine your face upon us with mercy and grace, that we might find courage and strength to be steadfast and faithful, loving and righteous. Be our strong foundation, so that we may grow up as your household, your family, and your people of justice, love and mercy. In hope and gratitude, we pray. Amen.

*Opening Hymn (on screen)

God, You Call Us to This Place

Joys & Concerns with Pastoral Prayer

Tithes & Offerings with Offertory

How Firm a Foundation arr. Tom Birchwood
*Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed,
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.*

*The Doxology UMH 94

Children's Time

Choir Anthem

Scripture *1 Peter 2:2-10*

Hymn (on screen) *God of the Prophets*

Message *Living, Shouting Stones*

Holy Communion (on screen)

Sing along as you come for Communion: *Cornerstone*
by Myrin, Morgan, Liljero, Bradbury/arr. Mary Tim

*Hymn TFWS 2162

Grace Alone

*Benediction & Postlude

Christ, the Cornerstone Roger C. Wilson
You belong to God's household. As God's household, you are built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. The whole building is joined together in him, and it grows up into a temple that is dedicated to the Lord. Christ is building you into a place where God lives through the Spirit. Ephesians 3:19-22 (CEB)

*Has God laid something on your heart?
Write it down so you don't forget to take it into your week!*

Meet Jesus ~ Follow Jesus ~ Serve Jesus

ANNOUNCEMENTS/IMPORTANT NOTES

Welcome! We're so glad you are here worshipping with us today! Children are *always* welcome to stay and participate in worship. The nursery is open and located in the corner of the fellowship hall. If this is your first time with us, please fill out a Welcome Card and place in the offering plate. We Livestream our services each Sunday. You can find these services on our church Facebook page: www.facebook.com/1stUMCGouv/

-RIP IT- Free exercise group. Check FB group or contact Amber Ormasen for updates.

-“Letters of John”- book study **Mondays** from **7-8:30pm** at One More Chapter Book Store. Please see Don for more info.

-Bible Study- Wednesdays at **10am** in Rm 103 (Acts)

-Open Table: Questions of Faith- Thursdays at **7pm**.

-Summer Sunrise Series- Annual 5k Fundraiser, walk or run at your own pace. \$10 pr race. Join us **every first* Sat.** of the month at **7:30am**. Complete $\frac{3}{4}$ races to receive a t-shirt!
[5/2; 6/6; 7/11*; 8/1] !

-Summer Worship- starting **June 7th** we will begin worship at 10am in Brown Chapel.

-Indoor Sale-Saturday, July 18th 9am-5pm

Donate \$10 per spot for each church person to sell their items.

Contact Libby (315-276-0667) if interested.

If you are interested in being a scripture reader, greeter or offering usher, please contact Pat Williams.

Scan/click with your cell phone if you would like to give electronically!



Read ahead for next Sunday:

Psalm 66:8-20

Bishop: Rev. Héctor A. Burgos

District Superintendent: Rev. Yohang Chun

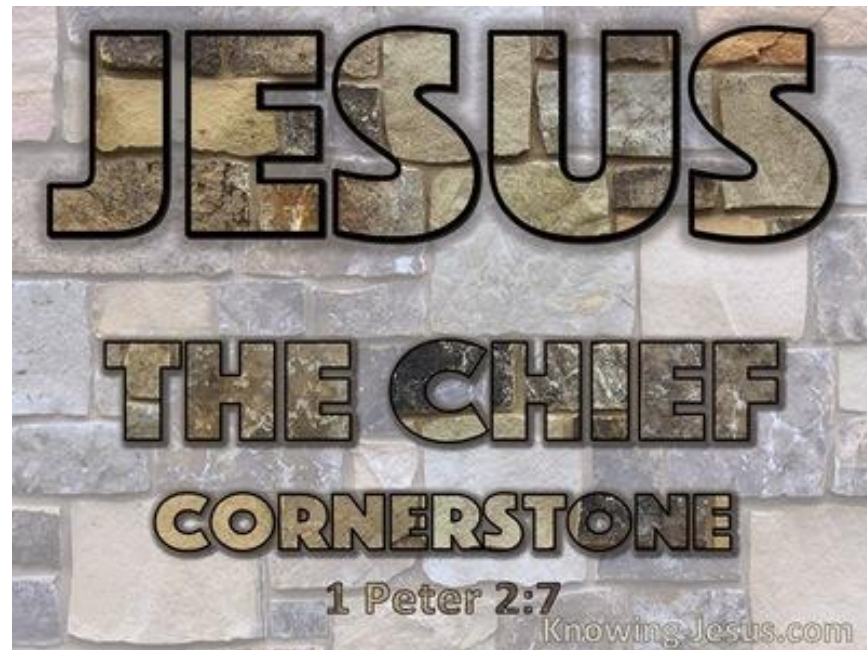
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