



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

Welcome

Brief Announcements/Welcoming Prayer

Call to Worship (*responsive*):

Leader: God is our refuge and our fortress.

All: In God we place our trust.

L: When we are weary,

A: God lifts us up on wings like eagles.

L: Come before the Lord with joy and longing.

A: God is our hope and our salvation.

Opening Prayer (*in unison*):

All: Generous Spirit, you call us to share our riches with the poor and disadvantaged, lest we follow self-interest to our ruin and destruction. Teach us to bestow your blessings on those in need, lest we be trapped by selfish desire. Set our hearts on the riches of good works, rather than the allure of earthly treasures. Help us take hold of the life that really is life. Amen.

*Opening Hymn UMH 57

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Joys & Concerns with Pastoral/Lord's Prayer

Tithes & Offerings

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus in the Morning

H. Robert James

Jesus when the sun goes down!

*The Doxology UMH 95

Children's Time

Choir Anthem

Scripture

Luke 16:19-31

Hymn (On Screen)

Outside My Gate, Outside My Door

Message

Words spoken, Hearts Changed

*Hymn UMH 592

When the Church of Jesus

*Benediction

*Postlude

Voluntary in F

Robert Lau

May the Lord bless you and protect you.

May the Lord smile on you and be gracious to you.

May the Lord show you his favor and give you his peace.

Numbers 6:24-26 (NLT)

*Tell someone you didn't come in with that you
love them and that you're glad they're here!*

**Meet Jesus ~ Follow Jesus ~ Serve Jesus
Love Boldly ~ Serve Joyfully ~ Lead Courageously**



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

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 for updates.
- Bible Studies-** Wednesdays **10am** in Rm 103 (Acts). New study beginning **Thurs. Oct. 2nd** at **7pm**.
- Advent Devotionals-** Sign-up sheet outside Office. Deadline to turn in devotions will be **Sun. Nov. 9th**.
- DS Installation-** **Sun. Oct. 12th** at **4pm** at Asbury: Watertown UMC for Rev. Yohang Chun.
- Laity Sunday-** **Sun. Oct. 19th** . We will be blessed to have many of our laity lead our worship service!
- **Charge Conference-** **Sat. Nov. 1st** at **10am** at Dekalb Junction UMC.

Coffee Fellowship sign-up is outside the Office!

Please see our bulletin board for announcements, etc!

Read ahead for next Sunday:
2 Timothy 1:1-14

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