

## ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OCTOBER 5, 2025

**OPEN DOORS WITH LOVING HEARTS** 



#### **CENTERING SONG**

"Surely the Presence"
UMH 328



WORDS: Lanny Wolfe, 1977

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place; I can feel his mighty power and his grace.





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"GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS"

#### Great Is Thy Faithfulness

WORDS: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923 (Lam. 3:22-23)

# 1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee;

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thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

#### Refrain

Great is thy faithfulness!
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Morning by morning
new mercies I see;

all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me! 2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above

join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

#### Refrain

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all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me! 3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;

strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

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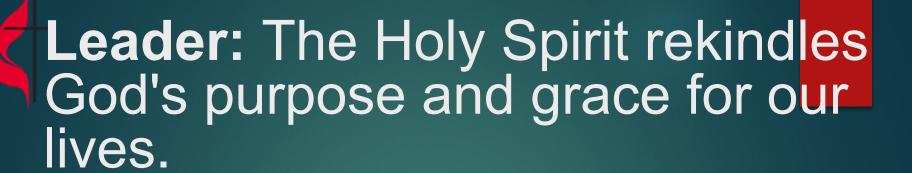
### HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Birthday/Anniversary



#### CALL TO WORSHIP



People: Grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began.

Leader: Christ Jesus, our savior, abolished death and brought life and immortality to light.



All: Let us worship in thanksgiving and praise.



"Change My Heart, O God"

#### Change My Heart, O God 2152

Eddie Espinosa (Isa. 64:8)

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

# You are the Potter, I am the clay. Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

#### OPENING PRAYER

Holy and Triune God, your table transcends time and space. As your disciples on World Communion Sunday, we join our voices to the songs and prayers offered to your name throughout the world. Increase our faith and

give us grace to love and forgive one another, as you have loved and forgiven us. We remember all your beloved children who suffer this day—especially the victims and refugees of war. We hear the echo of their broken lives in the songs of

lament in today's scriptures. Help us bear witness to their suffering without fear. Give us the courage to live in love with you, in you, and for you. For the sake of all your beloved children, we pray. Amen.



#### Trouble in My Way (Jesus Will Fix It)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bj90v97JbFo



OPEN DOORS WITH LOVING HEARTS

### "DOXOLOGY"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.



#### "CHILDREN'S MESSAGE"

#### "PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION"

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.



### **Scripture**

Luke 17:5-10

5 The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" 6 He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you. 7 "Suppose one of you has a servant plowing or looking after the sheep. Will he say to the servant when he comes in from the field. 'Come along now and sit down to

eat'? 8 Won't he rather say, 'Prepare my supper, get yourself ready and wait on me while I eat and drink; after that you may eat and drink'? 9 Will he thank the servant because he did what he was told to do? 10 So you also, when you have done everything, you were told to do, should say, ' We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.



#### <u>SERMON</u>

"SMALL SEED...BIG TREE!"



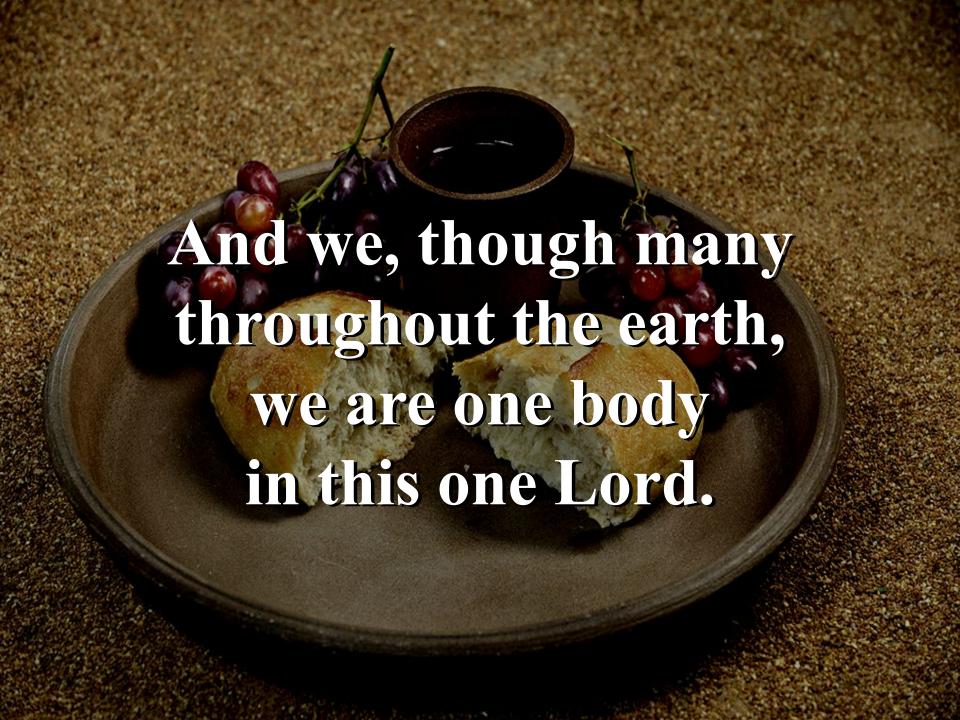
"One Bread, One Body"

WORDS: John B. Foley, 1978 (1 Cor. 10:16-17; Gal. 3:28; 1 Cor. 12)

## Refrain

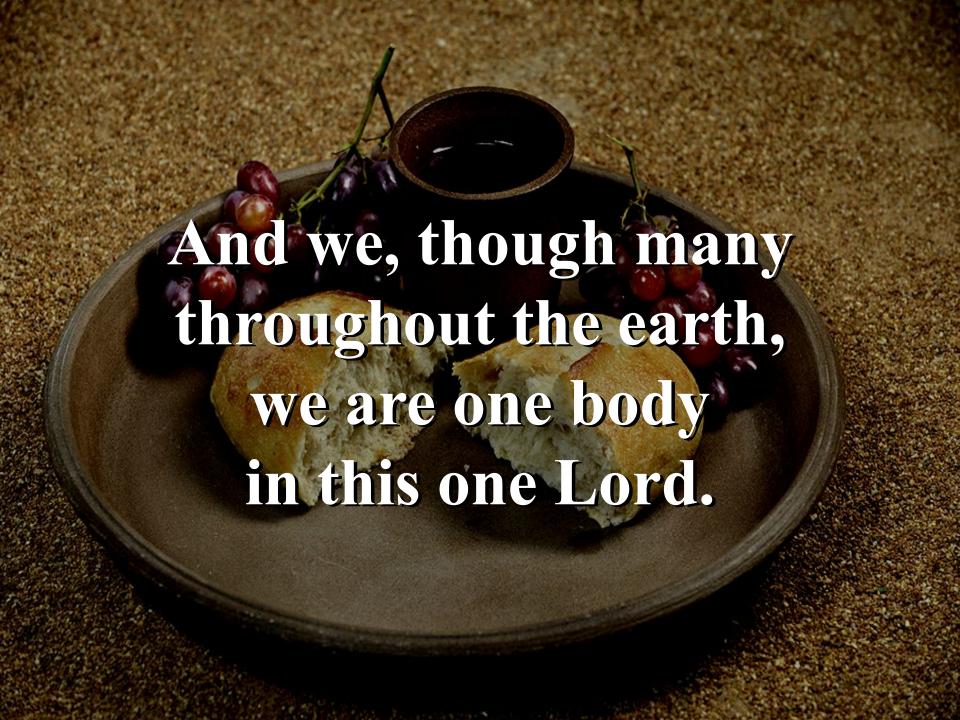
One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless.

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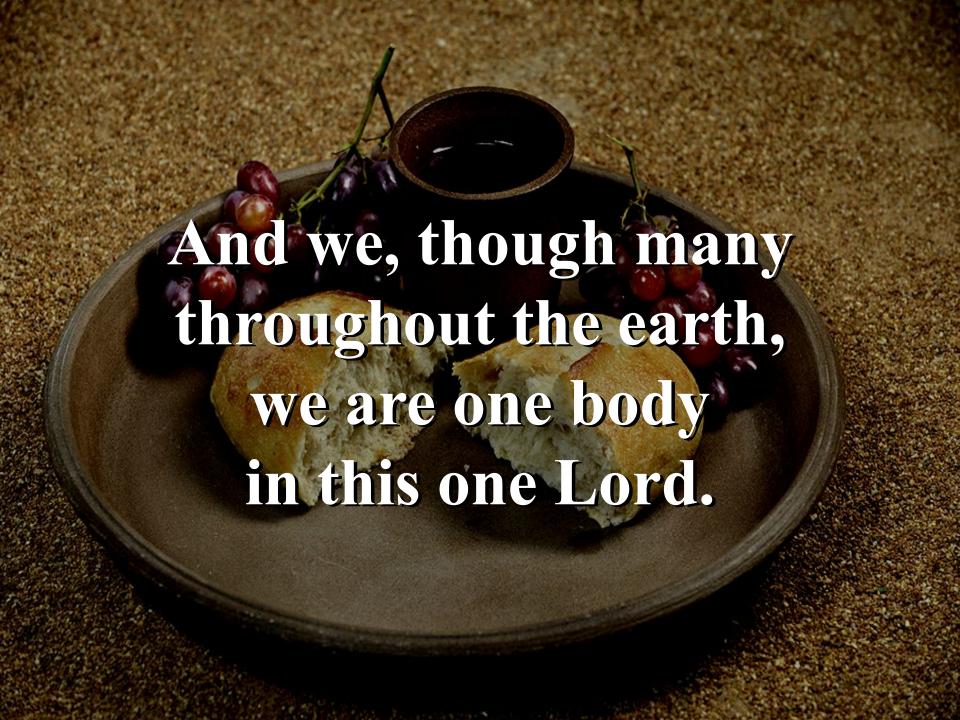






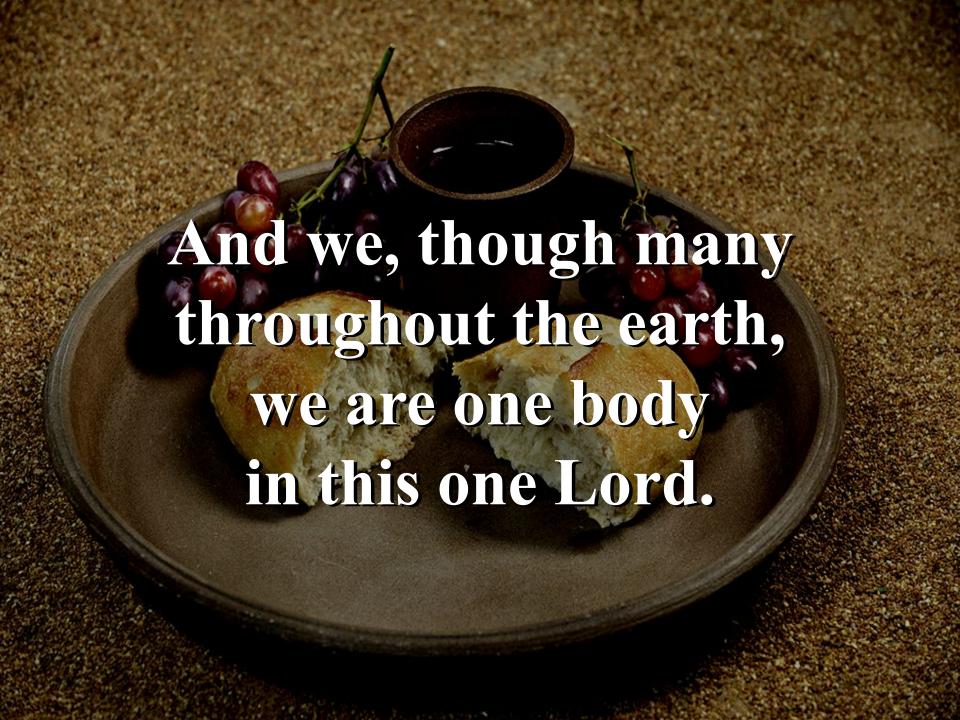














#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

#### SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II

Christ the Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.

Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

#### **CONFESSION AND PARDON**

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while
we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love
toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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Glory to God. Amen.

#### THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks, and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

# Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

# Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples and said:

"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,

as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again. Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,

until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.





**PRAYERS** 

OF THE

PEOPLE

# The Lord's Prayer

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.



# Tomorrow! "The Winans"

https://youtu.be/JuiF71phPkU



## CLOSING SONG

"Standing on the Promises"

### Standing on the Promises

WORDS: R. Kelso Carter, 1886 (Eph. 6:14-17)

1. Standing on the promises of Christ my King, through eternal ages let his praises ring;

I will shout and sing, standing on the promises of God.

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Stand - - - ing, (Standing on the promises,)

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standing on the promises of God my Savior;

stand - - - ing, (standing on the promises,)

stand - - - ing, (standing on the promises,)

I'm standing on the promises of God.

# 2. Standing on the promises that cannot fail, when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,

I shall prevail, standing on the promises of God.

#### Refrain

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standing on the promises of God my Savior;

stand - - - ing, (standing on the promises,)

stand - - - ing, (standing on the promises,)

I'm standing on the promises of God.

3. Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord, bound to him eternally by love's strong cord,

overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword, standing on the promises of God.

#### Refrain

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standing on the promises of God my Savior;

stand - - - ing, (standing on the promises,)

stand - - - ing, (standing on the promises,)

I'm standing on the promises of God.

# 4. Standing on the promises I cannot fall, listening every moment to the Spirit's call,

resting in my Savior as my all in all, standing on the promises of God.

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# BENEDICTION

Whether we are called to suffer little or to suffer much, we live in the faith and love that are ours in Christ Jesus. Go in faith; go in love; go in God's power. With the help of the Holy Spirit alive in us, we go in joy to bless our world.



### 564 Threefold Amen

Walter Henry Hall (1862-1935)

