FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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"A Holy, Healthy, and Loving Community Striving to Know Christ and to Make Christ Known"

October 27, 2024 Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.



WORDS OF WELCOME - - - - - Rev. Michael Atkinson

ORGAN PRELUDE- - - - "Polonaise in G Minor" / F. Chopin - - - - - - Kaleb Willison

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the midst of darkness, there is light.

People: In the midst of blindness, we will be given sight.

Leader: Our Savior, Jesus Christ, brings healing love to us.

People: Let the light of Jesus' love, breakthrough our blindness and fill our world with glory.

Sung Response ----- "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory, blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire; flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy, send forth your word, Lord and let there be light. (Chorus)

Lord, the light of you love is shining in the midst of the darkness shining, Jesus, Light of the World, shine up on us, set us free by the truth you now bring us.

Shine on me, shine on me.

Leader: Tear away the bonds that trap us in darkness, Lord.

People: Wipe away all our fears so that we may boldly proclaim your Love.

Leader: Give us courage to stand for truth and justice.

People: Give us wisdom to reach out in compassion to others.

Lord, I come to your awesome presence from the shadows into your radiance; by the blood I may enter your brightness,

search me, try me, consume all my darkness.

Shine on me, shine on me.

(Chorus)

Leader: Transform our lives. People: Reform our souls.

Leader: Bring us to a new day in your kingdom, O Lord.

People: Bring us to a new way of serving you with great joy, O Lord.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness; ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here may our lives tell your story.

Shine on me, shine on me.

(Chorus)

*OPENING PRAYER

Open our eyes, Lord. Help us to see Jesus as he reaches out to heal our blindness. Help us to let go of all those things that keep us in darkness. This day, as your word is proclaimed, let our hearts and souls respond with joy. Transform our lives to do your will. In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #454 - ------ "Open My Eyes"

*PASSING OF GOD'S PEACE

PASTORAL PRAYER
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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS ANTHEM ----- Has Made" SCRIPTURE LESSON------ Mark 10:45-52 For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many. They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you. So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way. Leader: The Word of God for the people of God. PEOPLE: Thanks be to God. MESSAGE - - - - - - "Open Our Eyes, Lord" - - - - - - Rev. Michael Atkinson ORGAN OFFERTORY - - "Andante from Sonata no. 4" / F. Mendelssohn - - - Dr. Scott *DOXOLOGY------U.M.H #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 up lifts;
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*CLOSING HYMN #378, V. I-3------"Amazing Grace"

*BENEDICTION

*ORGAN POSTLUDE - - - - "Toccata in D Minor" / J.S. Bach - - - - - Kaleb Willison

Today's Worship Participants

Liturgist: Amy Gardner

Ushers: Chloe Ann Chipps, Mary Seti

Altar: Carolyn Yost Livestream: Jackson Walls

Acolyte: Carson Wray

If you or someone you know is in the hospital, nursing home, has a need from the church, or would like a visit, Please feel free to call or send a text to Pastor Michael Atkinson at 304-771-3309



Beth Bryant-Barranco John & Charlene Cathell Frank & Leanna Murphy Dono **Kyle Harris** Harry & Joretta Lewis The Family of **Barbara Carrol** (Cindy Conway) **Chris Broadwater Danielle Rilev**

> Those affected by the hurricanes.

The Children of FUMC

THIS WEEK AT FUMC

- Tuesday, Oct 29 Bell Rehearsal, 9:30 a.m.
 - Monastic Meal, 12:15 p.m.
- Wednesday, Oct 30 Small Group Study, 11:00 a.m. —Connection, 5:30 p.m.
 - **Thursday, Oct. 31**—Prayer Shawl group, 5-6 p.m.

If you have had a loved one pass away in the last year and would like to honor them by having their name read on All Saint's Day let us know.

You can call (304-623-3397) the church office or email CFUMC@citynet.net. You may also leave the information on the sheet located in the Groom's room. All Saint's Sunday is November 3.

All who are considering participating in the Christmas pageant should plan to stay after worship next Sunday, November 3rd for rehearsal.

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