

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

October 24, 2021

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

WORDS OF WELCOME ----- Pastor Michael Atkinson

PRELUDE ----- "Divinest Comfort" by Robert Lowry----- Dr. Jessica Scott

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, take refuge in the Lord, for God is good.

People: From the storms and struggles of life we come.

Leader: Come, rejoice in the Lord, for God will provide peace for you.

People: From fear and anxiety, we come to find peace.

Leader: Come, open your hearts to the Lord and you will be given blessing.

People: Thanks be to God for the many ways in which we are blessed.

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.

HYMN #454 ----- "Open My Eyes That I May See"

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Meredith and Renee Seibert-Payne present
Delilah Beth Seibert-Payne for Christian Baptism*

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 WITH THE PASTOR

MUSICAL OFFERING ----- "Aria" by Eugene Bozza
Geneva Brown, clarinet; Dr. Scott, piano

SCRIPTURE LESSON -----Mark 10:46-52

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.

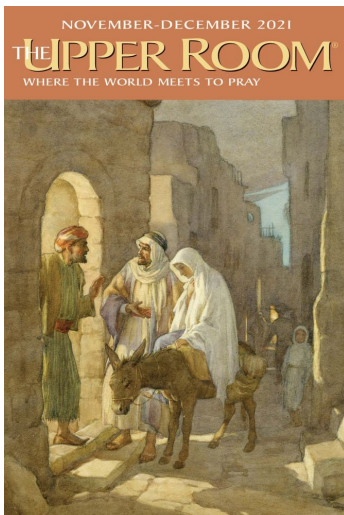
SERMON----- “Crying Out in Faith” ----- Pastor Atkinson
(You are encouraged to use this space for notes.)

INVITATION

HYMN #451 ----- “Be Thou My Vision”
Geneva Brown, clarinet descant

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE -- “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” arr. D. Bish-- Dr. Scott



**November-December issues of the Upper Room
are now available.**

**Check on the credenza in the Narthex,
or contact the church office at 304-623-3397.**



BLESSING BOXES

Fulfilling Christ's command to "feed my sheep", Blessing Boxes are scattered throughout Clarksburg. One is right outside our 2nd Street entrance.

Claim a Sunday, Tuesday or Thursday to fill the Box with drinks and non-perishable/"ready to eat" foods. **Please remember when choosing items to folks likely do not have access to stoves, ovens, refrigeration, pots, pans, or even a can opener. Thanks!**

Some supplies are here at the church, or donate your own.

CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU CAN HELP! 623-3397



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CHILDREN AND WORSHIP AT FIRST CHURCH

Children's Church will be held in Rooms 207/209, under the leadership of Candy Atkinson.

Because we follow "Safe Sanctuary" practices here at First Church, A 2nd adult is required to be in the room ... so we need your help!

If you can assist Candy with this ministry, please contact her at 304-771-2360.

