Prospect Street United Methodist Church 185 S. Prospect Street, Marion, OH 43302 740-382-6069 Pastor, Joshua Freshour

## Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 10:30 a.m.



### **Mission Statement:**

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# 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Joshua Freshour, Pastor

\*Please stand if you are able

Please silence electronic devices

WELCOME Michelle Fassler

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

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OPENING PRAISE SONG

"We Will Glorify"

We will glorify the King of kings.
We will glorify the Lamb.
We will glorify the Lord of lords.
Who is the great I am.
Hallelujah to the King of kings.
Hallelujah to the Lamb.
Hallelujah to the Lord of Lords.
Who is the great I am.
Hosanna to the King of kings.
Hosanna to the Lamb.
Hosanna to the Lord of Lords.
Who is the great I am.

PRELUDE Jim Anderson & Gary Flach

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" arr. by John Innes

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Use this time to prepare your heart for worship

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Who we are and who God is)

Leader: We gather today to worship the One who came to earth to show us how to live. As ordinary

people became followers of Jesus, they were equipped to do extraordinary things for the

kingdom. These unlikely heroes showed us that...

All: Heroes are called to follow Jesus!

Leader: We worship the One who gave two midwives, a mother, and a sister in Egypt the courage to

boldly help the vulnerable and oppressed. These wonder women showed us that...

All: Heroes are called to help others!

Leader: We worship the One who uses others to speak great wisdom into our lives. As Jethro

encouraged Moses to gather helpers to support and strengthen him, God is reminding us that...

All: Heroes are called to work together!

Leader: We worship the One who speaks to us when we faithfully wait and listen. The Magi never

ceased to listen and obey as God revealed their next steps. They remind us that...

All: Heroes are called to listen to God!

Leader: And we worship the One who has shown us each amazing grace and strengthens us to show

grace to others. As the friends in Saul's story offered him forgiveness from his mistakes, we are

reminded that...

All: Heroes are called to show grace.

\*OPENING HYMN "This Little Light of Mine" #585

1. This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine, this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine; this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine; let it shine, let it shine, **let it shine.** (let it shine) 2. Everywhere I go, I'm goin'a let it shine, everywhere I go, I'm goin'a let it shine; everywhere I go, I'm goin'a let it shine; let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. (let it shine) 3. All through the night, I'm goin'a let it shine, all through the night, I'm goin'a let it shine; all through the night, I'm goin'a let it shine; let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. (let it shine)

\*INVOCATION (Who God invites us to become together)

O Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we give You thanks today for providing a way for us to be here today in Your holy presence. It is nothing short of a miracle that we have been found today by You, our hero! There have been many times in our life Lord in which we have run from You. There have been times in which we have become distracted and have lost our way. And there have been times in which the world has done everything it can to keep us from You. But You, O Lord, out of Your love for us will climb any height, bridge any chasm, break down any blockade to save us whom You love. Nothing can separate us from You so therefore O God, may we be found by your loving arms once again this day. Amen!

OFFERING

Offertory "Jesus Loves Me" arr. by John Carter

\*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 14:19

#95

19 Let us then pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

**VBS CELEBRATION** 

#### 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.

\*CLOSING HYMN

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

He's got the whole wide world in his hands,

[repeat 3 times]

He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got the wind and rain

in His hands;

[repeat 3 times]

He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got you and me in His hands;

[repeat 3 times)

He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got ev'rybody in His hands;

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"God Be With You"

[repeat 3 times] He's got the whole world in his hands.

God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

Till we meet, till we meet.

POSTLUDE

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God" arr. by Joan J. Pinkston

Liturgist: Colleen McCartney

Next Sunday Scripture: Ephesians 3:14-21 & Sermon Title: "Are We Asking Too Little of God?"

The clear candle burning on our altar signifies our appreciation for the men and women serving our country during this time of national concern.

**Summer Concerts** presents "Marion Area Orchestra and Quintessence String Quintet" in McKinley Park **today** at 7 p.m.

**New Directory** - We will begin sign-up for photo sessions for the 2024 Photo Directory between services **today through September 22**. We are scheduling for Thursday, September 26, Friday, September 27, and Saturday, September 28. We will add Monday, September 30, if we need additional appointments. See you then!

Dianna Eckle will be in the office Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. and Katherine Griffith will be in the office Thursdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. till Erika returns.

**Book Study** – Thursday evenings at 5:30 p.m. and Friday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the Upper Room.

The Leadership Team will meet again on Thursday, July 25, at 5 p.m. in the Upper Room.

**Free Community Breakfast** will be held on **Saturday**, **July 27**, from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. This community outreach is sponsored by the Men's Prayer Breakfast group and the S.K.I. Group. This breakfast is free and open to all (donations will be accepted). If you have questions, please contact Bill Bess at 740-360-3965. Hope to see you there.

Noisy Collection will be on Sunday, July 28, for Mobile Meals.

We will collect for the **Salvation Army Food Pantry** on **Sunday, July 28**. Suggested donations: **Kool-Aid and other dry drink beverage.** They are also in need of paper products and feminine products. Put your donations in the shopping cart in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you!

**Open House** to honor Bonnie Castle on her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. All are welcome to come to the Fellowship Hall on **Sunday**, **July 28**, after the second service.

The United Women In Faith Executive Board will meet Monday, July 29, at 2 p.m.

**Laundry Love Ministry** will be **Monday, July 29,** at 4:30 p.m. at the Southtown Cleaning Village, 355 S. Main Street in Marion. If you would like to help, please contact the office.

There will be a **Directory Organizational Meeting** on **Monday, July 29**, at 6 p.m. in the Upper Room.

Please mark your calendars for Friday, August 2! This event has always been a whole church family effort. The UWIF will be counting on you for at least 12 sheet/layer cakes, 32 pies, 20 food line workers, 6 cooks, 15 set up/tear down workers, and 4 guest helpers. Come and enjoy the kinship and comradery of the Ice Cream Social on Friday, August 2, from 4:30 – 7 p.m. Sign-up sheets are in the atrium. Flyers are available on the publications table in the sanctuary. Plan to bring your family to dine that evening.

We will continue the annual tradition of **Rally Sunday**, **August 11**, by celebrating Christian Education, with an emphasis on children's education and ministry. This celebration will take place during both the 8:30 and 10:30 worship services. During the worship, we will be blessing backpacks for the upcoming school year, we will be dedicating Bibles to fourth graders, and we will have special prayer over all teachers and educators that they might have a successful upcoming school year.

**Marion's Farmer Market** will be using our Parking Lot every Thursday until **October 17**, from 4-7 p.m. (except Popcorn Festival). We will have a table handing out information on the church and events. If you would like to participate or even have items for sale, please email Marci DeWitt at mdewitt@dreamvacations.com.

**God's Taxi** - If you know anyone that needs transportation to and from church, please call Erika at the church or Bill Bess 740-360-3965. We need more drivers, please see Bill.

**Peanut Butter and Jelly Food Drive** - If you would like to continue supporting this mission, please drop off your donations in the Church kitchen.

The **New Beginning Sunday School Class** will begin a three-month or so study of Paul's epistles (letters) to the Galatians and the Ephesians. If you're not currently in a Sunday School class and have been wanting to learn more about what the Bible actually says, I invite you to give us a try. We study directly from the Bible and review the prior lesson each week so if you decide to try us out you won't feel lost. The Class is located in the basement right off the elevator. Dave McCartney

**Memorial Pavers** can be ordered for summer installation. If you would like to purchase a paver for the Memorial Park, forms are available on the library table located in the south alcove. Cost of a paver is \$75.00. Order forms can be turned in to the office.

**Upper Rooms** devotional booklets for July/August 2024 are on the library table in the south alcove. Small - \$1.00 Large - \$1.50

**E-Tithing** is an automatic withdrawal from your checking account and is remitted automatically to the church. Contact the church office for more information!

**Service DVD's for Shut-Ins!** We have DVD's available of our 10:30 a.m. worship service for anyone who would like to borrow or have a copy. We are delivering DVD Players and the DVD's on Monday mornings! Call Erika in the office for information.

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