

Ephesians 4:11-16

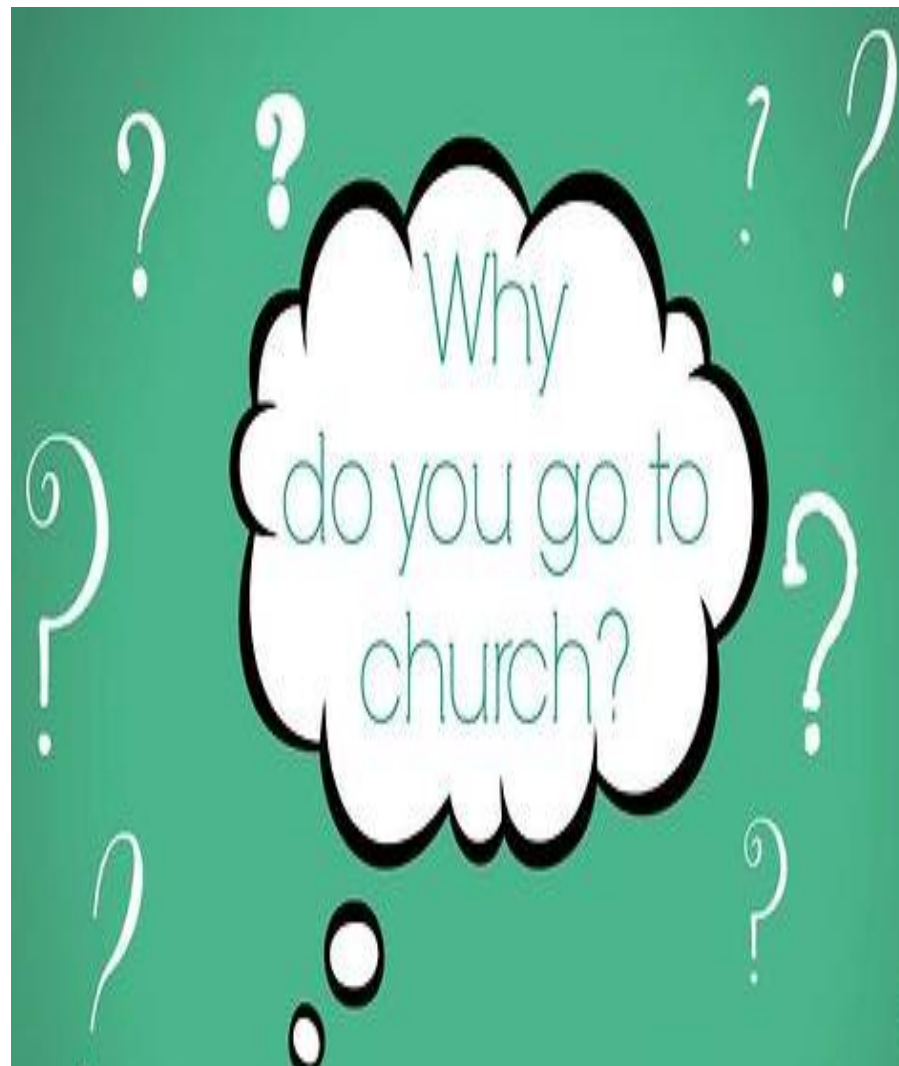
¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

¹⁴ Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. ¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. ¹⁶ From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

Hebrews 10: 23-25

²³ Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵ not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Why Should I Attend Church?



CHELTENHAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

21st Sunday after Pentecost
October 29, 2017

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**PRELUDE
AND
CANDLE LIGHTING**

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: We are pulled in many directions.

PEOPLE: Many duties and tasks seek to lay claim on our lives.

LEADER: Today, in this place, let service to God be our choice.

PEOPLE: Today in this place, we open our hearts and spirits to God.

Leader: Hear us Lord, as we unite in prayer:

ALL: O Lord, there never seems to be enough time to do all the things that are demanded of us. Our schedules are busy, as we live by the clock. Forgive us, Lord, for making you a scheduled event which we tend to erase when something else comes our way. Help us realize with you as our focus, all things pale in comparison. AMEN.

***HYMN - "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" #2158 TFWS**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS, CONCERNS AND PASTORAL PRAYER

SUNG RESPONSE: "Kum Ba Yah" #494 vs 2

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY-** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings" #95 UMH

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 4:11-16; Hebrews 10:23-25

***HYMN - "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" #133 UMH**

SERMON – "It Boils Down to Priorities"

***HYMN - "We Are the Church" #558 UMH**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE – "The Trees of the Field" #2279 TFWS

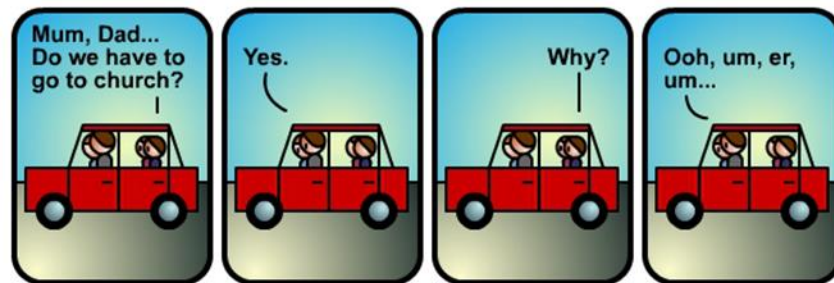
PASSING THE PEACE

Hymns can be found in the *TFWS – The Faith We Sing* and
UMH- *United Methodist Hymnal*

*Please stand as you are able.

*If you are visiting our church service today, we want you to
know that we are glad you are here!*

*We invite everyone to join us down stairs after worship for a
time of fellowship.*



How will you answer this question?