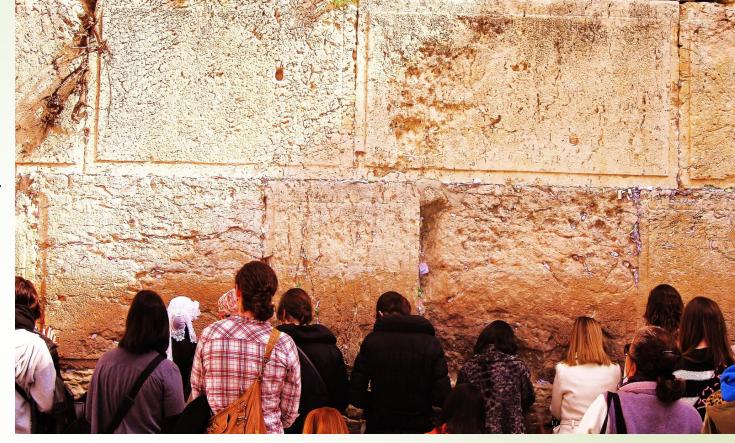
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CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS



Hymn: O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (v. 1, 2, and 5)

Words: Charles Wesley, 1739

Music: Carl G. Glaser; arr. by Lowell Mason, 1839

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+HYMN "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" v.1

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

+HYMN "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" v.2

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

+HYMN "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" v. 5

He speaks, and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

Affirmation of Faith

The World Methodist Social Affirmation UMH 886

We believe in God, creator of the world and of all people; and in Jesus Christ, incarnate among us, who died and rose again; and in the Holy Spirit, present with us to guide, strengthen, and comfort.

We believe; God, help our unbelief.

Affirmation of Faith (continued)

The World Methodist Social Affirmation UMH 886

We rejoice in every sign of God's kingdom: in the upholding of human dignity and community; in every expression of love, justice, and reconciliation; in each act of self-giving on behalf of others; in the abundance of God's gifts entrusted to us that all may have enough; in all responsible use of the earth's resources.

Glory be to God on high; and on earth, peace.

Affirmation of Faith (continued) The World Methodist Social Affirmation UMH 886

We confess our sin, individual and collective, by silence or action: through the violation of human dignity based on race, class, age, sex, nation, or faith; through the exploitation of people because of greed and indifference; through the misuse of power in personal, communal, national, and international life; through the search for security by those military and economic forces that threaten human existence; through the abuse of technology which endangers the earth and all life upon it.

Affirmation of Faith (continued) The World Methodist Social Affirmation UMH 886

Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

We commit ourselves individually and as a community to the way of Christ: to take up the cross; to seek abundant life for all humanity; to struggle for peace with justice and freedom; to risk ourselves in faith, hope, and love, praying that God's kingdom may come.

Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven.

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER
AND 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.

Hymn: Forward Through the Ages

Words: Frederick Lucian Hosmer, 1908

Music: Arthur S. Sullivan, 1871

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+HYMN "Forward Through the Ages" v.1

Forward through the ages, in unbroken line, move the faithful spirits at the call divine; gifts in differing measure, hearts of one accord, manifold the service, one the sure reward.

Forward through the ages, in unbroken line, move the faithful spirits at the call divine.

+HYMN "Go Forward Through the Ages" v.2

Wider grows the kingdom, reign of love and light; for it we must labor, till our faith is sight. Prophets have proclaimed it, martyrs testified, poets sung its glory, heroes for it died.

Forward through the ages, in unbroken line, move the faithful spirits at the call divine.

+HYMN "Forward Through the Ages" v. 3

Not alone we conquer, not alone we fall; in each loss or triumph lose or triumph all. Bound by God's far purpose in one living whole, move we on together to the shining goal.

Forward through the ages, in unbroken line, move the faithful spirits at the call divine.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 96:1-9

¹ O sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. ² Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. ³ Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples. 4 For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods. ⁵ For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 96:1-9 (Continued)

⁶ Honor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary. 7 Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. 8 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts. 9 Worship the LORD in holy splendor; tremble before him, all the earth.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. 2 We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³ remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you,

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 (Continued)

⁵ because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. 6 And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit,

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 (Continued)

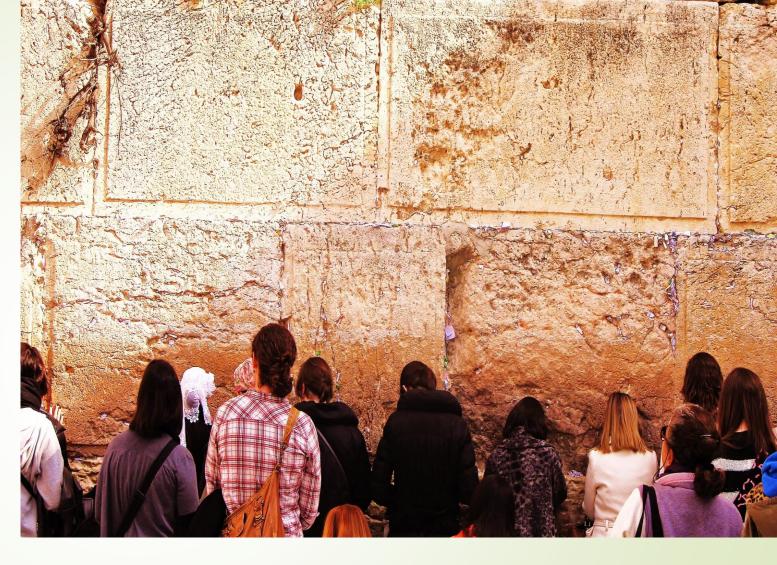
⁷ so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸ For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 (Continued)

⁹ For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰ and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

SERMON

You Came, Too



Pastor Rachel B. Livingston

OFFERTORY: This Little Light of Mine

Music: Afro-American Spiritual; adapt. By William Farley Smith, 1987 UMH 585

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Words: Thomas Ken, 1674

Music: attr. to Louis Bourgeois

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.



Hymn: Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Words: John Fawcett, 1782

Music: Johann G. Nageli; arr. by Lowell Mason, 1845

UMH 557, Tune: DENNIS

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Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

We share each other's woes, our mutual burdens bear; and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear

When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain; but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

+BENEDICTION

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