

Duke Memorial United Methodist Church

Service of Worship • Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 26, 2022 • 10:55 AM

TOWER BELLS

GATHERING

WELCOME

Rev. Heather Rodrigues

WELCOME STATEMENT

Mark Evans

As our Lord Jesus Christ calls us to love and accept every person, Duke Memorial United Methodist Church welcomes into our life together those of every age, race, ethnic background, nationality, gender identity, sexual orientation, family or socioeconomic status, educational background, and physical or mental ability. In our commitment to the reconciliation of all persons as beloved children of God, we celebrate our diversity and recognize the sacred worth and dignity of all. We invite you to join us in our faith journey toward discipleship in Christ with mutual respect, understanding, and love.

PRELUDE

Fred Mason, Organist

Ave Verum

W.A. Mozart

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister Eliza Stewart

God of Transition

The stewardship of love is your call for us

When we face uncertainty and challenges

You continually show us the gift of community in which we share the burden

Allow us to look to the past

Memorializing those that came before us

Remembering those who paved the way

Allow us to also look to the future

Thinking of our own legacies

How our faith will be an example for generations to come

The gift of remembering is one of transformation, and we thank you for the blessings we receive from learning from others.

*OPENING HYMN

UMH (red) 398 | Jesus Calls Us

GALILEE

** Please stand as you are able*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God of Mercy, we confess that we are failing to do your will when we hoard power and wealth for ourselves. We forget to recognize the history and stories of our own community, erasing the past and its lessons for the future. Allow us to situate ourselves in this place, in our bodies, and in your love as we seek to live lives of collaboration and justice.

silence for personal confession

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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Glory to God. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

Greet one another with signs of reconciliation and love

The peace of Christ be with you, **and also with you.**

PROCLAMATION

CHILDREN'S TIME

Katie Diaz, Pastoral Intern

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Mark Evans

Gracious God, as we read the Scriptures today, may they be for us living and breathing stories that speak to our hearts and allow us to see more fully the call you have for your Church.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON | 2 KINGS 2:1-14 Common English Bible

This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

*GOSPEL LESSON | LUKE 9:57-62 Common English Bible

This is the Gospel of our Lord. **Glory to God. Amen.**

SERMON

Rev. Heather Rodrigues

RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Minister Eliza Stewart

Following each petition:

God who calls us, **Guide our path.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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OFFERTORY

Evidence of Grace

Summer Choir

arr. Mary McDonald

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN

The Summons

1. Will you come and follow me
If I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
And never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
Will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown
In you and you in me?
2. Will you leave yourself behind
If I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
And never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
Should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer
In you and you in me?
3. Will you let the blinded see
If I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free
And never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
And do such as this unseen,
And admit to what I mean
In you and you in me?
4. Will you love the 'you' you hide
If I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
And never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
To reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and sound
In you and you in me?
5. Lord, your summons echoes true
When you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
And never be the same.
In your company I'll go
Where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
In you and you in me.

BENEDICTION

What is annual conference? An annual conference is a regional decision-making body in the Methodist denomination. Conferences are a key characteristic of the connectional system of government in Methodism. Annual conferences are composed primarily of the clergy members and lay members from each charge (one or more local churches).

Who are these Leaders?

Stan Coffman, Lay Leader: A Lay Leader is the principal layperson in a local church, district or Annual Conference who represents and leads the laity in ministry.

Mark Evans, District Delegate: A District Delegate is someone who applied and was selected by the board of laity to fill this spot. This position helps to ensure that we have equal representation of both lay and clergy at annual conference.

Caleb Parker, General Conference Delegate: General Conference is the highest legislative body in The United Methodist Church. Every four years, delegates gather from all over the world to make decisions on behalf of the denomination. A General Conference delegate is a lay person elected by the annual conference to be a representative at General Conference.

Rev. Renee Burnette, Retired Elder: Although Renee's membership lies with the North Carolina Conference, she has chosen to affiliate with Duke Memorial.

Fidget baskets are now located on either side of the altar rail and in the narthex. These are offered for children and adults who learn best when their hands or bodies are moving or who can listen more attentively when their other senses are engaged. Feel free to use a fidget or two at any point during worship and then return them to the basket at the end of service. There are also some new toys near the rocking chairs on the main level as we build towards having "Pray Ground" space here in the sanctuary for our worshippers of all ages and stages.

New? Tell Us More | We value building relationships across lines of difference, shared hobbies, passions, talents, and seasons of life. We hope to connect with you and one another inside and outside the church building. We encourage you to take time to fill out the connect card, explore our Spiritual Formation groups, ministries for children and youth, and our ministries designed to connect the church to the world through service.

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