

Duke Memorial United Methodist Church

Service of Worship • Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 22, 2024 • 10:55 AM

TOWER BELLS

GATHERING

WELCOME

Rev. Heather Rodrigues

WELCOME STATEMENT

Brian Rybarczyk

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

Harry Jansen, Organist

Adagio in a minor

J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Mick Raynor

Hearts open, we enter this space

Recalling how much we are loved.

Minds open, we enter this space

Receiving God's wisdom and insight.

Arms open, we enter this space

Ready to share God's love in word and deed.

Lives open, we enter this space

Being transformed by God's love, wisdom, and work.

IN MEMORIAM

A Moment of Silence for Don Wright (September 7, 1932 — May 15, 2024)

*OPENING HYMN

Text by Carl P Daw Jr.

In Every Place Where God is Praised (see insert)

KINGSFOLD

** Please rise as you are comfortable*

God of Wisdom, turn us back to Your ways, to become Your children, full of wonder and awe at You and the world You have made. Turn us back to Your ways so that we love and care for those who cannot offer payment in return. Turn us back, O God, so that we might recall we are made in Your image, with the power to co-create and build Your reign here on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

silence for personal confession

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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, Minister of Spiritual Formation

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gair McCullough

**Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read
and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON | JAMES 3:13-4:3 CEB

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

GOSPEL LESSON | MARK 9:30-37 CEB

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SERMON

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RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Gair McCullough

**One: All shall be well, and all shall be well,
All: And all manner of thing shall be well.**

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.**

OFFERING OURSELVES

Stewardship

Thomas Phillips

OFFERTORY

Earth Song by Frank Tichelli

Sanctuary Choir

arr. Alan Bullard

DOXOLOGY

UMH 94 (red) | Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Sanctuary Choir

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Mick Raynor

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN

UMH (red) 428 | For the Healing of the Nations

CWM RHONDDA

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Heather Rodrigues

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

POSTLUDE

Marche religieuse, Op 18 - Alexandre

Harry Jansen, Organist



J Sterrett is originally from Cleveland, Ohio, but now calls Durham, NC home. They are a 2nd year MDiv Residential Student at Duke University and are pursuing certificates in worship, preaching, and Black Church studies. J had the privilege of serving as pastoral intern over the summer and is eager to return to continue their work here at Duke Memorial. J loves football season and will be cheering on the Baltimore Ravens and Ohio State Buckeyes over the next few months.



Jalen Garza is a second year MDiv student at Duke Divinity School. She comes from San Antonio, Texas and is a loyal Spurs fan! Jalen is passionate about pastoral care and is seeking ordination in the UMC. She's looking forward to getting to know our congregation and to hearing your stories!

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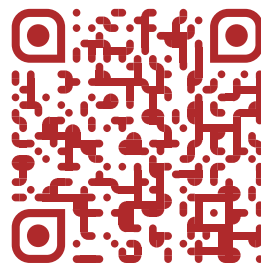
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