

# Wesley United Methodist Church

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

July 21, 2024

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

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*At Wesley we foster a sanctuary culture by creating a safe environment where all feel welcomed, loved, accepted, valued, and affirmed for who they are, through intentional practices such as empathy, compassion, generosity, hospitality, and inclusion.*

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***Please let an usher know if you have questions, need assistance, or have a concern about health or safety.***

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Prelude

“Prelude”

J. Leybach

Greeting

\*Call to Worship

One: I will sing of your steadfast love, O God;

**Many: I will proclaim your faithfulness.**

One: Your steadfast love is established forever;

**Many: Your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

One: Blessed are the people who shout to you in praise, O God;

**Many: Who walk in the light of your countenance.**

**All: O God, You alone are holy!**

\*Hymn

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

UMH 126

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,  
the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.  
With healing balm my soul is filled and every faithless murmur stilled:  
To God all praise and glory.

The Lord is never far away, but through all grief distressing,  
an ever present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing.  
As with a mother’s tender hand, God gently leads the chosen band:  
To God all praise and glory.

Thus, all my toilsome way along, I sing aloud thy praises,  
that earth may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises.  
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart, both soul and body bear your part:  
To God all praise and glory.

Let all who name Christ’s holy name give God all praise and glory;  
let all who own his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story!  
Cast each false idol from its throne, for Christ is Lord, and Christ alone:  
To God all praise and glory!

**\*Please stand in body or in spirit.**

\*Praise Songs

**God You're So Good**

God you're so good. God you are kind.  
God you are wonderful. My God, you are excellent...

Excellent is Thy name. Excellent is Thy might.  
God you are wonderful. My God you are excellent...

**Joy Like A River**

Joy like a river in my soul...

Common Prayer (*unison*)

**Eternal God,  
you draw near to us in Christ.  
Amid the cares of our daily lives,  
make us attentive to your voice  
and alert to your presence.  
that we may treasure your word above all else.  
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God forever and ever. Amen.**

Children's Conversation

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

"Come and Fill Our Hearts"

TFWS 2157

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.  
You alone, O Lord, are holy.  
Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Alleluia!

**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.**

The Offering

Offertory

"Offertory"

S. Heller, Op.47

\*Doxology

UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

*Passing of Peace	“Shalom”	Mensah Essilfie
	God’s peace be unto you, We wish you Shalom! The peace of God which transcends all understanding be with you forevermore.	
*Gospel Reading		Mark 1:40-44
Message		
Announcement		
*Hymn	“The Gift of Love”	UMH 408
	Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire, and have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.  Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess, but not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.  Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed; by this we worship, and are freed.	
*Benediction		
Postlude	Fantasie-Stücke, op. 73	II Lebhaft, leicht

Worship Leaders: Gifty Bentum-Asante, David Dagle, Ronna Davis, Chris Kerns, Byungmoo Lee, Debbie O’Driscoll, Jennifer Quansah, Gary Robinson, Chloe Sundberg (French horn), Chris Yeboah, Worship Tech Team

Call to Worship – Psalm 89 ALT. *The New Testament and Psalms: An Inclusive Version*, Oxford Univ. Press.  
Common Prayer – *Book of Common Worship*, Westminster/John Knox Press, 1993, p. 364, ALT.  
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