



WASHINGTON  
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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## Washington Street United Methodist Church

(Pre-Videoed)

Liturgical Color: Green, symbolizing life and growth in Christ Jesus  
Washington Street UMC ~ Christ Chapel

November 8, 2020

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

Trumpet Tune in D Major  
Louis Shirer, organ

David Johnson

WELCOME (*Instructions for Interactive Worship*)

*You may create your sanctuary in any space, for all things belong to God. You are invited to light a candle with us, read the texts with us, and then sing along with the hymns and join in with the prayers as printed in the worship guide and on the screen.*

CALL TO WORSHIP124

Seek the Lord

GENEVA

Seek the Lord who now is present, pray to One who is at hand.  
Let the wicked cease from sinning, evildoers change their mind.  
On the sinful God has pity; those returning God forgives.  
This is what the Lord is saying to a world that disbelieves.

Shelley Maddox, soprano; Louis Shirer, organ

Words: Fred Pratt Green, 1986; Music: George Henry Day, 1940

OPENING PRAYER

**God of Abraham and Sarah, God of Moses and Elijah, God of our Christ and all who follow Him, you have spoken our names and transformed our lives. We gather as your people to give thanks for your abiding presence and your steadfast love and to set our minds on divine things, so that we can, by faith, bless your name and follow in the footsteps of Jesus, through whom we pray. Amen.**

HYMN 662

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

ST. MICHAEL

(vs. 1, 3, 4)

1. Stand up and bless the Lord, ye people of his choice;  
stand up and bless the Lord your God with heart and soul and voice.
3. O for the living flame from his own altar brought,  
to touch our lips, our minds inspire, and wing to heaven our thought!
4. God is our strength and song, and his salvation ours;  
then be his love in Christ proclaimed with all our ransomed powers.

Words: James Montgomery, 1824; Music: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551; adapt. William Crotch, 1836

Yasmin Bradshaw, soprano; Louis Shirer, organ

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 78:1-7

ANTHEM

Call of Wisdom

Will Todd

WSUMC Chancel Choir; Louis Shirer, organ; Dr. Dwight Dockery, conductor

*Recorded at WSUMC on 9 February 2020*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Joshua 24:1-31, 14-25

PROCLAMATION

“This Day”

Rev. Parrish

PRAYERS OR RESPONSE *(In Unison)*

**Almighty God, in a world of change you placed eternity in our hearts and gave us power to discern good from evil. Grant us sincerity, that we may persistently seek the things that endure, refusing those which perish, and that, amid things vanishing and deceptive, we may see the truth steadily, follow the light faithfully, and grow ever richer in that love which is the life of all people; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who taught his disciples to pray saying: \***

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.**

HYMN 117

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

1. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!
2. Under the shadow of thy throne, still may we dwell secure;  
sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.
3. Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,  
from everlasting, thou art God, to endless years the same.
4. A thousand ages, in thy sight, are like an evening gone;  
short as the watch that ends the night, before the rising sun.
5. Time, like an ever rolling stream, bears all who breathe away;  
they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.
6. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home!

Words: Isaac Watts, 1719; Music: Attr. to William Croft, 1708; harm. by W. H. Monk, 1861

*Recorded at WSUMC on 10 November 2019*

BENEDICTION

\*HUGH CAMERON, SCOTLAND, 20TH CENTURY, UM BOOK OF WORSHIP, THE UNITED METHODIST PUBLISHING HOUSE, 1992.

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**IN MEMORIAM**

*Ms. Doris A. Prim*

November 4, 2020

*“Blessed are those who die in the Lord...”*

**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY**

Rev. Parrish, the church staff and WSUMC family extend our deepest sympathy and Christian love to the family and friends of Ms. Doris A. Prim in her passing on November 4, 2020.



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