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Remember the homeless and hungry in our community.
Remember all military personnel and their families, especially those wounded in war.

NOW IS THE TIME TO GIVE!

TEXT TO GIVE – TEXT "ENGAGE" TO 73256 AND FOLLOW THE PROMPS GIVE THROUGH ENGAGE WASHINGTON, WWW.WSMETHODIST.ORG/ENGAGE OR MAIL YOUR DONATION!

SERVING TODAY

Lynn Shirley, sound tech





June 13, 2021



The congregation of Washington Street UMC praises and serves God from the heart of the city in ways that reach our neighbors near and far. We welcome and affirm all who seek the love and mercy of Christ regardless of race, creed, age, gender, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic status. We honor traditions as rooted in our history, our expression of worship, and our respect for theological curiosity. We nonetheless see vital change and ongoing renewal as essential for spiritual growth.

WASHINGTON STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Third Sunday after Pentecost June 13, 2021

11:00 AM - Sanctuary

Liturgical Color: Green, symbolizing our growth in Christ (As our worship begins, please silence any electronic devices. Portable hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.)

GATHERING IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*THE RINGING OF THE BELL

*CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: Small as a mustard seed and lofty as a cedar:

The kingdom of God is growing. ALL:

ONE: While we sleep and rise night and day:

The kingdom of God is growing. ALL:

The low are brought high; the high are brought low:

The kingdom of God is growing, its large branches are home to all kinds

of people! **

*HYMN 2196 (vs. 1, 3, 4)

"We Walk by Faith"

MARTYRDOM

*OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

God, Sower of seeds, be at work among us, we pray, that your church may thrive in faithfulness. Whether we are the size of a tall cedar or are a small sprig, it does not matter. You are able to put us to good use. Not by our efforts, but by your power and grace we bear fruit, produce boughs of spacious welcome. You can make even a dry tree flourish! Even we can become a new creation! Urge us on, then, in the love of Christ. In his name we pray. Amen. **

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 884 from the Korean Methodist Church

*THE GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

LISTENING FOR GOD

SOLO What Wondrous Love Is This? Kevin McCarter Felicia Torres, soprano; Dr. Rick Frierson, piano

*THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 4:26-34

THE PROCLAMATION

"Our Growing Family"

Reverend Parrish

RESPONDING TO GOD

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)

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.

SENDING FORTH TO SERVE

OFFERTORY

As we go into the world, we offer ourselves to God in loving service as we offer our gifts to the ministries of the congregation. Financial contributions may be placed in the offering plates located in the Narthex, online at wsmethodist.org, or through the mail. Thank you for supporting the ministries of this congregation with your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.

*HYMN 707 (vs. 1, 2, 3)

"Hymn of Promise"

PROMISE

*BENEDICTION

After the Clergy have recessed, the ushers will dismiss you by rows. Please remain seated until you are dismissed. This method provides a means of maintaining social distancing as we dismiss. The pastors will greet you on the sidewalk on Washington Street.

*POSTLUDE

*Congregation standing. If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated and continue your participation.

When our worship ends, our service begins!

We welcome all persons to worship this day! If you are a new friend, we hope that you will find here the warmest welcome in the Name of Christ. Please complete a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate or give it to one of the clergy as you leave.

THE EPISTLE LESSON

II Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

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