

*cour-age (noun)*

*"the ability to do something that frightens one"*



# The Courage to Be Last

August 21, 2022



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

August 21, 2022 | 11th Sunday after Pentecost | Liturgical Color: Green

*(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

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Finding our unity in Christ, we worship with one mind, one love and one accord.

**All: With the courage to be vulnerable, let us worship with the courage to put others before ourselves.**

One: Let us worship with humility and love trusting that one is not better than another.

**All: We raise our voices together in praise and join our hearts and hands together in service.**

\*HYMN #261

*Lord of the Dance*

LORD OF THE DANCE

Words: Sydney Carter, 1963

Music: 19th cent. Shake tune; adapt. by Sydney Carter, 1963; harm. by Gary Alan Smith, 1988

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #883 A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

\*THE GLORIA PATRI #70

MEINEKE

Words: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent.

Music: Charles Meineke, 1844

OPENING PRAYER

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.**

ANTHEM

*Now Thank We All Our God*

arr. Michael Rosewall

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Beth Matthews

*(After the Children's Moments, children 2 yrs. to first grade may be dismissed to Children's Church.)*

## OFFERTORY

*If God be for us*  
from *Messiah*, HWV 56  
Soloist: Maria Berry

G.F. Handel

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## \*DOXOLOGY #95

OLD 100th

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674  
Music: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, 1551

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

Philippians 2:1-5

## SERMON

"Courage to be Last"  
*Part II of a 5-Part Series*

Rev. Becky Shirley

## \*HYMN #2130 (IFWS)

*The Summons*  
Words: John Bell  
Music: Traditional Scottish

KELVINGROVE

## \*BENEDICTION

## \*CHORAL RESPONSE

## \*POSTLUDE

*\*Congregation standing. If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated and continue your participation.  
When our worship ends, our service begins!*

# STUDY PHILIPPIANS WITH US

**August 18-Sept. 16**

**Small Group Study**

**Wednesdays | August 24-Sept. 14**

**11:00 am-12:15 pm—John Harper Classroom**

**7:00 – 8:15 pm—Zoom**

Download the study guide and read some each day.  
Sit and savor it. Don't rush. Paul's letter is very short, but it is packed with a lot of dense ideas.

Read with a pen. Don't be afraid to underline words or passages. Take notes, and ask questions.  
You aren't reading alone. We're doing this together, and your pastors will provide support along the way.

SCAN THE QR CODE to visit the website to download the reading guide and sign up online to participate!



Please join Rev. Alston for a 4-week discussion of the book of Philippians.

We will meet on Wednesdays and will discuss one chapter each week. This small group will coincide with Rev. Becky's sermon series, "Courage to...", which will use passages from Philippians. We hope you will join in the discussion and delve more deeply into Philippians. For more information, or to sign up email Rev. Alston at [aflippert@umcsc.org](mailto:aflippert@umcsc.org)

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**PRAYER THOUGHT**

Prayer requires that we stand in God's presence proclaiming to ourselves and others that, without God, we can do nothing.

**PRAYER LIST**

Martha Boynton  
David Byrum  
Laura Collins  
Heidi Conte  
Mickey Epting  
Rev. Paul Harmon  
Karen Horne  
Lisa Johnson

Debby Joyner  
Rev. Judy King  
Martha Helen King  
Mike LeFever  
Malcolm Lemons  
Paul McClanahan  
David Middleton  
Genie & Ron Quinn

Frances "Tut" Robertson  
Rick Rowe  
Boyd Saunders  
Stephanie Saunders  
Sarah Threatt  
Edee Vaughan  
Jim Ward  
Our homebound

**SERVING TODAY**

Director of Music	Nicholas Todd Shumate
Organ	Louis Shirer
Piano	Dr. Rick Frierson
Ushers	Tommy Betenbaugh, Alan-Jon Zupan
Sound/Video	Grant Jackson, Jane Peterson
Visitor Cards	Suzanne Joye
Pew Maintenance	Sarah Jones
Nursery	Carter Vaughn, Jane Polk
Children's Church	Mackin Wall
Online Service Moderator	Ed McClain

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**(YTD as of 8-18-22):**

**Church Budget: \$865,000**

Church Actual	\$347,105
Soup Cellar	\$47,519
Foundation	\$22,930

**SCAN TO GIVE**

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**Attendance on 8/14/22: 146 (in-person); 111 (online as of 8/18/22); TOTAL = 257**

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