

Brookstown United Methodist Church

16th Sunday after Pentecost

September 17, 2023

Preparation for Worship

We tend to think of clouds as gloomy, Lord, but Your pillar of cloud protected the newly escaped Hebrews from their Egyptian enslavers.

May we sense Your protection in the clouds of life. Amen.

Order of Worship

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Greeting & Announcements

*Hymn No. 732

“Come, We That Love the Lord”

Thanksgivings & Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Choral Anthem

Sermon

*Hymn No. 139

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

*Benediction

*Closing Music

**Please stand as you are able.*

Enter to Worship ~ Depart to Serve

Welcome

In the words of the Israelites: “The Lord is ... the reason for my song, because He has saved me” (Exodus 15:2, CEV).

Welcome to worship!

Scripture Readings for the Week

Exodus 14:19-31 ~ Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21 ~ Romans 14:1-12 ~ Matthew 18:21-35

O Lord, heavenly Father, in Whom is the fullness of light and wisdom, enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit, and give us grace to receive

Your Word with reverence and humility, without which

no one can understand Your truth.

For Christ's sake, Amen.

Announcements

Flowers have been placed in our services today to the glory of God

by Scott and Robin Williams, in celebration of their

Wedding Anniversary today, September 17.

ADMINISTRATIVE MEETINGS: Today, September 17: Finance Committee at 5:30pm, Church Council at 7pm. Meetings will be held in person and on Zoom.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL: Wednesday, September 20 at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. The menu will be tacos and all the trimmings. If you would like to bring desserts, that will be appreciated. Invite friends and neighbors for a fun evening of fellowship!

MULCHING: The mulching that Troy Apperson planned to do Saturday, September 16 has been tentatively rescheduled to October 21. Please keep that date in mind and let him or Ronnie Brickey know if you would like to help that day.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Mondays, October 2 – November 20, 7-8pm; in the Ola Apperson Room and on Zoom. This is an 8-week study by Lisa Harper called “Beautiful World”, which addresses the utter humanity and compassion of Jesus as shared by Luke.

CHICKEN PIES: We are currently out of all chicken pies. As always, they were a great seller at the Festival! We'll let you know of the next workshop.

CHARGE CONFERENCE PREP: Administrative committees please begin assessing your 2024 budget needs.

Crisis Control Gift of the Month

Canned Greens (Collards & Spinach)

There are bins at the church entrances for donations.

Please help fill them for those who are in need.

The Lord Is My Strength And
My Song; He Has Become
My Salvation. He Is My God,
And I Will Praise Him, My
Father's God, And I Will
Exalt Him.

Exodus 15-2

Stewardship September 10

Financial

Tithes & Offerings: \$2,541.38 ~ Other Gifts: \$51.38 ~ Total: \$2,592.76

Attendance

8:30 Service: 16 ~ **10:00 Service:** 24 ~ **11:00 Service:** 47

Children's Sunday School: 2

Reached via Facebook: **8:30 Service:** 86 ~ **11:00 Service:** 79

Weekly Calendar

Sundays 8:30am Worship Service in Fellowship Hall & live on Facebook
10:00am Worship Outside or Fellowship Hall; Children's Sunday
School; Adult Sunday School in the Ola Apperson Room
11:00am Worship Service in Sanctuary & Live on Facebook
Wednesdays 7:00pm Choir Practice

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