

WORSHIP HANDOUT

Sunday September 29th

Stewardship: thanks

OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*SONG OF WELCOME Imago Dei

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We say "Thank you"

But we work to mean it.

We show our Thanks,

Knowing our actions speak louder than words.

We give our Thanks,

That our sincerity and generosity would show to the world.

Let us live with God in our hearts,

Let us take a new step of growth each day.

OPENING PRAYER The Prayer of Saint Francis UMH 481

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace;

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

And where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master,

Grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved, as to love;
For it is giving that we receive,
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

ANTHEM

SONG AS CHILDREN GATHER This this is where children belong

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*HYMN Come and Find the Quiet Center TFWS 2128

TIME OF PRAYER

SILENT AND PASTORAL PRAYER

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 now and forever.
Amen.**

PRAYER HYMN As the Deer TFWS 2025 2x

LESSON I | **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 CEB**

**¹⁶ Rejoice always. ¹⁷ Pray continually. ¹⁸ Give thanks in every
situation because this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.**

May God add a Blessing to this Reading

Lesson 2 **Luke 12:13-21 CEB**

¹³ Someone from the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.”

¹⁴ Jesus said to him, “Man, who appointed me as judge or referee between you and your brother?”

¹⁵ Then Jesus said to them, “Watch out! Guard yourself against all kinds of greed. After all, one’s life isn’t determined by one’s possessions, even when someone is very wealthy.” ¹⁶ Then he told them a parable: “A certain rich man’s land produced a bountiful crop. ¹⁷ He said to himself, What will I do? I have no place to store my harvest! ¹⁸ Then he thought, Here’s what I’ll do. I’ll tear down my barns and build bigger ones. That’s where I’ll store all my grain and goods. ¹⁹ I’ll say to myself, You have stored up plenty of goods, enough for several years. Take it easy! Eat, drink, and enjoy yourself. ²⁰ But God said to him, ‘Fool, tonight you will die. Now who will get the things you have prepared for yourself?’ ²¹ This is the way it will be for those who hoard things for themselves and aren’t rich toward God.”

This is the Word of God for all people.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Transparency and Motivation

*HYMN I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me TFWS 2153

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***UNISON PRAYER**

Almighty God,
giver of every good and perfect gift,
teach us to give to you all that we have and all that we are,
that we may praise you not with our words only,
but with our whole lives. Amen.

***BENEDICTION**

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POSTLUDE