

OLD UNION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 29, 2024, 11:00 AM

PRELUDE (Time for preparation)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 98:1-3

*HYMN "We Fall Down" HS #48

*CONFESSION OF SIN: "Holy God, you summon us to follow you in the ways of peace and justice, but we prefer to act out of fear and anger. You call us to live generously, but we allow greed to dominate us. You invite us to live in love, but we focus instead on pridefulness and selfishness. You show us a world in need, but we only see the objects of our desires. You introduce us to brothers and sisters, but we languish in isolation and loneliness. Forgive us, and draw us to you once again through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen."

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Psalm 103:8-12

*GLORIA PATRI (Song of Praise) #622

SPECIAL MUSIC

NEW TESTAMENT (Unison): Acts 16:9-15

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 12:1-7

CHILDREN'S TIME

*HYMN "Jesus Calls Us" #375

SERMON "Following God's Call"

*HYMN "Wherever He Leads I'll Go" #367

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

TIME FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (back cover of hymnal)

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY (Song of Dedication) #624

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*APOSTLES CREED (back cover of hymnal)

*BENEDICTION (Closing Blessing) 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17
(Response: "...And build each other up.")

*CLOSING SONG "Only Believe" #420

(* If you are able, please stand.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dave D. will lead this morning's Scripture readings.

Helping Hands will meet after worship today.

The Personnel Committee will meet tomorrow at 7:00 PM.

Next Sunday at 10:00 the Adult Study will continue an eight-week series on prayer in the Bible, as we examine prayers of thanksgiving and praise. Prepare by reading 1 Samuel 2:1-10.

Plan to join us for World Communion next week!

The deacons will meet after worship next week.

In order to improve our church's safety, we will begin putting up the security gate during worship as a protection from intruders. This means that we will need a monitor in the hallway who can open the gate if someone needs to leave or use the restroom during worship. Please sign up in the lobby if you'd like to help with this.

We are collecting donations for disaster clean-up buckets through Church World Service. The cost is \$75 per bucket. Please mark your contribution "Clean-up Bucket."

Old Union is a donation location for "Bundle Up Butler," which provides winter coats for children and adults in need. Please drop off your donations of new or gently used coats in the lobby. We are receiving donations until October 7.

Old Union is participating in Mars School District's food drive, to provide holiday boxes for 1500 families in our region. Mark your monetary donations "Food Drive," or place your food contributions in the lobby. See the flyer in the lobby for specific food ideas.

Plan to join us for our annual Budget Forum on October 13. After worship there will be a fellowship dinner, with the Budget Forum to follow.

Today is Pickle Project Sunday! Half of the money will go to the deacons, and the other half to the Lighthouse. Please put your donations in the basket in the back of the church.

The Evan City Food Cupboard is collecting cleaning supplies for September.

It's apple dumpling time! Join us on Fri, Oct. 4. Please sign up in the lobby to donate needed ingredients, and/or to help on Fri., or on Sat., Oct. 5, at the Applefest booth. Monetary donations can be given to Lorene W. or Julie M.

There is a bin for person care and feminine hygiene products in the lobby for Butler Schools.

Special Prayers of Concern:

Louise S.
Josh K.
Maggie D.
Ed & Jeanne C.
Gloria U.
Dick C.
Logan R.
Betty L.
Dolly K.
Joan T.
Howard B.
Midge M.
Josh H.

Mission Co-Workers

Cobbie & Dessa Palm, Philippines

Military:

Jeremy H.
Matthew David M.
Justin T.
Scott F.
Glen P.
Will B.
Jacob H.
Christian C.
Ryan W.
Hunter M.
Christopher H.
Arthur B.
Kevin E.
Danner C.
Daniel B.
Spencer K.
Luke O.
Addison D.
Colton V.