

REACH OUT IN CHRIST
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 18, 2022 **10:00 AM**

Prelude

Welcome

Hymn “Take My Life, and Let It Be” #399

Call to Worship

Leader: We look upon our world, our neighborhoods,
our families, and see suffering and want.

People: How long, O Lord?

L: We see deep suffering, brutal violence,
destroyed homes, and ravaged nations.

P: How long, O Lord?

L: Let your compassion come quickly to meet us,
for we are brought low.

P: How long, O Lord?

All: Help us, O God of our salvation!

Help us, O Source of our hope!

Children’s Moment

Jean Ann Lewis

Offertory

Doxology

A Time of Prayer

(Also share your concerns through FB Live comments.)

Anthem “**The Power of Your Love**” Bullock

Scripture **Luke 15:11-32**

11 Jesus said, “A certain man had two sons. 12 The younger son said to his father, ‘Father, give me my share of the inheritance.’ Then the father divided his estate between them. 13 Soon afterward, the younger son gathered everything together and took a trip to a land far away. There, he wasted his wealth through extravagant living. 14 “When he had used up his

resources, a severe food shortage arose in that country and he began to be in need. 15 He hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. 16 He longed to eat his fill from what the pigs ate, but no one gave him anything. 17 When he came to his senses, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired hands have more than enough food, but I’m starving to death! 18 I will get up and go to my father, and say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. 19 I no longer deserve to be called your son. Take me on as one of your hired hands.” ’ 20 So he got up and went to his father. “While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with compassion. His father ran to him, hugged him, and kissed him. 21 Then his son said, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son.’ 22 But the father said to his servants, ‘Quickly, bring out the best robe and put it on him! Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet! 23 Fetch the fattened calf and slaughter it. We must celebrate with feasting 24 because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life! He was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate. 25 “Now his older son was in the field. Coming in from the field, he approached the house and heard music and dancing. 26 He called one of the servants and asked what was going on. 27 The servant replied, ‘Your brother has arrived, and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he received his son back safe and sound.’ 28 Then the older son was furious and didn’t want to enter in, but his father came out and begged him. 29 He answered his father, ‘Look, I’ve served you all these years, and I never disobeyed your instruction. Yet you’ve never given me as much as a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. 30 But when this son of yours returned, after gobbling up your estate on prostitutes, you slaughtered the fattened calf for him.’ 31 Then his father said, ‘Son, you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. 32 But we had to celebrate and be glad because this brother of yours was dead and is alive. He was lost and is found.’”

Sermon "One Brother to Another" Pastor John
New Member Welcome: Donna & Glenn Hammel
Hymn "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" #103
Benediction
Alleluia
Postlude

The flowers on the altar are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of Sturley and Agnes Yarnell by Bob, Fr. Kevin and LLenray Yarnell.

CIRCLE OF PRAYER—Sandra Buck, Douglas Pike, Charlie Monroe, Brenda and Mike Smeby, Sergei Barth, Murphy Mullens, George Kranz, Lettie Witt, Terry Polen, Rod and Michelle Bailey, Jessica Strande, Cheryl Chmura, Susan Granner, Fiona Kishundyal, Marv Hiuser, Rita Harned, Marilyn and Ron Lovell, Pastor John Griswold, Glenn Hammel, James (friend of Ruth Dean), Howell family, Bill Madity, Dot Massey, Ginny Monroe, Karen McGinley, McKinley family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***NEW MEMBERS**—We are pleased that Clayton Stockley and Melvin Lischer officially joined our congregation on 9/11. They come as transfers from Asbury. Welcome to First UMC!

***UMM**—Meeting Sunday, 9/18 at 6pm. We will continue our study of John Wesley's Character of a Methodist.

***BIBLE STUDY**—Please join us on Wednesdays at 10am. Materials are provided.

***CRAFT GROUP**—Meets Mondays 12:30-3pm

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