

REACH OUT IN CHRIST
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 2, 2023

10:00am

Prelude “The Hymn of the American Revolution” Billings

Welcome

Hymn “God of the Ages” #698

Call to Worship

Leader: We come this morning full of ourselves:

All: Our concerns, our plans, our opinions, our schedules.

Leader: In this moment, help us empty our minds of the relentless 'I' and make space for you.

All: Enable us to put down our priorities; to set aside our assumptions and schemes.

Leader: Open our hearts to recognize your love in action in our lives.

All: Reassure us of your divine vision, and let us rest in your unending care.

Receiving of Offering

Offertory “Precious Lord” Dorsey
 Ruthie Nelson, Vocalist

Doxology

A Time of Prayer Pastor Lee
(Also share your concerns through FB Live comments.)

Response: “Hear our prayer, O God”

Anthem “God Bless America” Dwight Smith, Vocalist

Scripture: Acts 16:1-5

16 Paul reached Derbe, and then Lystra, where there was a disciple named Timothy. He was the son of a believing Jewish woman and a Greek father. ² The brothers and sisters in Lystra and Iconium spoke well of him. ³ Paul wanted to take Timothy with him, so he circumcised him. This was because of the Jews who lived in those areas, for they all knew Timothy’s father was Greek. ⁴ As Paul and his companions traveled through the cities, they instructed Gentile believers to keep the regulations put in place by the apostles and elders in Jerusalem. ⁵ So the churches were strengthened in the faith and every day their numbers flourished.

Sermon “A Life of Doing Things You Don’t Have to”
Pastor Lee

The Great Thanksgiving Hymnal, page 12

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.

Hymn “Let there be peace on earth” #431

Benediction

Alleluia

Postlude “Psalm 19” Marcello

CIRCLE OF PRAYER—Sandra Buck, Charlie Monroe, Brenda and Mike Smeby, Lettie Witt, Sergei Barth, Rod and Michelle Bailey, Marv Hiuser, Rita Harned, Rev. John Griswold, Ginny Monroe, Volrie Olin, Starla Knox, Tom Miller, Joseph Ries, Mary Ann Yates (Erna McCormick's sister), Gary McBaugh, Ramona Vaughn, Betty Willett, Dava (Kay Cooper's friend).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***RAYS vs. CLEVELAND GUARDIANS 8/12—** Celebrate Christian Faith Day at Tropicana Field. We would like to have at least 10 people from FUMC attend. If interested, contact Ray Calvert at 912-571-2474, calverr@gmail.com or the office at (727) 842-7674, frontoffice@fumcnpr.com. 

***UPPER ROOM—**This daily devotional guide for July/August is available in the Narthex and the office. Please put \$2 in an envelope and mark it "Upper Room" when you take a copy.

***CHILDREN'S MINISTRY—**In June/July there will only be nursery for ages 5 and under during worship. Sunday School for older kids will commence again in August. We are still looking for volunteer helpers in the nursery!

***CRAFT GROUP—**Meets Mondays 12:30-3pm. Join us!

***BIBLE STUDY—**Summer break until September 2023.

***NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS—Group 1** meets Wed & Sat at noon and Fridays at 7pm in Henderson Hall. All are welcome. **Group 2** meets Wed. & Thurs. at 7pm.

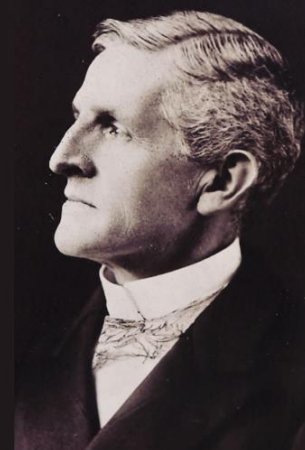


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