

McFARLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
AN ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD
EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 23, 2023 11:00 AM

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day that the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

*HYMN GUIDE ME O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH UMH 127

FIRST LESSON GENESIS 28-10-19A

PSALTER PSALM 139 UMH 854

SECOND LESSON ROMANS 8:12-25

ANTHEM IN CHRIST ALONE
ARR. BY KIRKLAND & FETKE

GOSPEL LESSON MATTHEW 13:24-30, 36-43

SERMON SHINE LIKE THE SUN
REV. WAYNE COOK

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH THE APOSTLES CREED UMH 881

*GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

*HYMN GOD LEADS US ALONG W&S 3031

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAISES

CALL TO PRAYER LORD, LISTEN TO YOUR CHILDREN PRAYING TFWS 2193

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER UMH 895

*HYMN LOVE DIVINE ALL LOVES EXCELLING UMH 384

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE TO DO SO.
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Your offerings may be left in the offering box located on the table in the Narthex. Thank you for your support of the missions and ministry of McFarland United Methodist Church.

The Adult Sunday School is now a Mid-Week Bible/Book Study that meets in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is invited to participate. If you have any questions, please ask Marvin Mills or Vicki Riddle.

Save the date: Homecoming will be August 27. The Reverend Mickey Rainwater, our new District Superintendent, will be our preacher. Come for worship then stay for the covered dish luncheon in Fellowship Hall.

We have been challenged to raise 1.5 Million Dollars in the coming year for the “New Voices Initiative. “New Voices” will focus on identifying and building leaders from our Collegiate Ministries, Conference Colleges and Conference Camps for the future. This is a tremendous goal. However, when broken down, if each active member of the Holston Annual Conference would donate a total of \$30 over the next 10 months, the goal will be reached. Just think, designating an extra \$3 per month for “New Voices” will help us meet the goal. Your prayerful consideration of this initiative is welcome.

Information and Opportunities to Serve

Sunday Morning Worship..... 11:00 AM
Mid-Week (Wednesday) Bible/Book Study..... 10:00 AM
Choir Practice, Wednesday..... 6:00 PM

If you are visiting with us today, welcome. We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us. There are visitor registration cards in the lobby that you can fill out so that we may have a record of your visit. If you need assistance or if you have a question, please feel free to ask an usher or your neighbor.

Announcements

The **Common Grounds Free Store** is a primary ministry of McFarland UMC – we thank all of our volunteers for your hard work. The next Free Store will be **Saturday, August 19, from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM.** We need volunteers to both prepare for and staff the Free Store. If you can help, please see Ann Russell or Vicki Riddle. Please pray for God’s guidance in how you can help this vital ministry to our community.

Thank you for your patience while Darlene continues to deal with surgery and recovery. She is now working regular hours Monday and Thursday 9:00 – 4:00 and Wednesday 9:00 – 12:00.

We welcome **volunteers** to help with ushering, sound, and visuals during worship. If you are interested in helping, please see Don Butcher, Ben Leonard, or Pastor Wayne.



McFarland United Methodist Church

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.



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