



# MPUMC

**MIDDLEBROOK PIKE  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

## **Worshiping Together September 22, 2024**

*On the corner where faith and life meet.*



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# Traditional Worship Service

## Words of Grace and Greeting

**Prelude**

Voluntary on "Hyfradol"  
*arr. Payne*

**Lighting of Altar Candles**

**Trinity Chime**

**Opening Hymn**

Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us, UMH 381

**Call To Worship**

God is in our midst, forming us to be God's own people.

**Though the way may be difficult, God will be with us.**

We need not fear.

**In the Lord we will take our refuge, for God is our strength.**

Come to the Lord who will surround you with God's own righteousness.

**Lord, open our hearts and our spirits so that we may faithfully follow you. AMEN.**

**Anthem**

Crown Him Lord of All

**United Women In Faith Reflection**

*Barbara Cope*

**Prayer for United Women In Faith**

Loving and gracious God,

Today we give thanks for the women of faith who have shaped our lives, our church, and our world. On this "United Women in Faith" Sunday, we celebrate their dedication, their service, and their unwavering commitment to sharing your love with all.

We thank you for their hands that serve, their hearts that care, and their voices that speak truth and justice. Bless their work and strengthen their resolve as they continue to live out their faith in bold and transformative ways.

Lord, we ask for your guidance and blessing upon all women in our congregation and beyond. Empower them to follow your call, to lead with wisdom, and to be vessels of your grace in every corner of the world. May their witness inspire others, and may we, as a church, uplift and support them in all that they do.

In the name of Jesus Christ, who calls each of us to serve in faith,  
Amen.

**Offertory**

Wayfarin” Stranger  
*Steve Emmett, harmonica*

**Doxology**

UMH 94

**Hymn of Preparation**

There Is A Balm In Gilead, UMH 375

**Scripture**

Selections from John 14

**Sermon**

For Us  
*Rev. Troy Forrester*

**Closing Hymn**

I Stand Amazed in the Presence, UMH 371

**Benediction**

**Trinity Chime**

**Postlude**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing  
*arr. Lovelace*

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**Hearing devices and large print hymnals** are available.  
Please see an Usher for assistance.

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## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

In memory of Tommy Newcomb by his daughter, Carla Curtis.



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Connection Card so we can get acquainted.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Offering at the Altar

On October 13th, we will hold a special "Offering at the Altar" initiative during our Sunday worship services. Pick up your grocery bags now at the Portico doors, Fellowship Hall, Narthex or Family Life Center. We will place the filled bags at the altar in each of services on October 13th.

### United Women in Faith

Ladies, interested in joining a small group that is active in supporting local, national, and global missions.

United Women in Faith has four circles/groups at MPUMC. For more information contact the circle leaders noted below:

#### **Mary Rayfield (day circle)**

Cindy Gibson 228-365-4742  
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#### **NOW (evening circle)**

Sherry Stair 865-776-1100  
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#### **Sisters in Christ (evening circle)**

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#### **Willing Workers (day circle)**

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Come check us out! We would love to have you join us.

Barbara Cope  
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## CALENDAR

### Sunday, September 22

8:30 am	Small Groups
10:00 am	Worship Service
11:00 am	Hospitality
11:15 am	Small Groups
11:15 am	BAMM!
11:30 pm	Angel Tree Meeting
1:00 pm	Adult Handbells
6:00 pm	Knox Music Box

### Monday, September 23

6:30 pm	Scouts
6:30 pm	ELL

### Tuesday, September 24

9:30 am	CEP
10:00 am	Prayer at the Altar
10:00 am	Rhythmic Aerobics
3:00 pm	Casual Pickleball
6:30 pm	Be Course
7:00 pm	Pickleball

### Wednesday, September 25

2:00 pm	FISH packing
3:00 pm	Pickleball
6:30 pm	Choir Practice
6:30 pm	ELL
7:30 pm	Narcotics Anonymous

### Thursday, September 26

9:30 am	CEP
10:00 am	Rhythmic Aerobics
6:30 pm	Ballet Gloria set-up

### Friday, September 27

9:00 am	FISH
12:00 pm	Ballet Gloria

### Saturday, September 28

No Events Scheduled