Wesley Chapel Methodist Church

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We welcome you to this worship service.

Order of Worship

Prelude I Surrender All **CH 596**

Announcements and Sharing of Joys

Greeting

***Call to Worship** Come On and Praise the Lord **GRP 79**
***Lighting of the altar candles.**

***Scripture Reading** Revelation 12:11 **Staci Sherer**

***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 Come, We That Love the Lord **GRP 626**

***Affirmation of Faith:**
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from which, he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic** church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.
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Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Wonderful Peace **CH 743**

***Doxology:** Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Hymn When the Saints Go Marching In **GRP 637**

Scripture **Revelation 12:11**

Sermon Committed to the Covenant **Mark Ledbetter**

Wesley's Covenant Prayer

Holy Communion

Postlude Jesus, We Just Want to Thank You **CH 791**

***Please stand if you are able.**

CH – Celebration Hymnal

GRP – Great Redeemer's Praise Hymnal

Prayer List

Brenda and Pat Jones, James and Janice Adams, Vicky Rollins, Chris Kramer, Jr., Ruth Cox, Bill Crenshaw, Beth Major, Matt Abrams, Bobbie Kinser, Louise Rhodes, Jane Reynolds, Van Abbott, JoAnne Cleveland, Honest Gaddis, Kathy and Roland Roberson, Jeanne & Glen Deason, Jerry Jordan, Charles and Janet Akin, Sarah Hethcox, Janice Snyder, Dustin Bentley, Rachel Hobson, Jackie Vigiani, Ashley Williamson, Alton Williams, Lynn Shaw, Huey Cannon, Lyndall Jones, Faye Thompson, Susan Vick, Mark Henderson, Shirley Mooney, Debbie McGhee, Ken Bradford, Kaitlyn Paceley, Wendy Monroy and her baby, Samantha, Jana Johnson, Barbara Bailey, Randy McDaniel, Brian Smith, Betty Culver, Don and Frieda Gillum, Rhonda Beasley, Christy Fugatt, Cole Ward, TJ Little, Karen Amons, Liam Layton and family, Vicky Avant, John Murphy, Kamryn, Laurie Althoff, Randy Snyder, Jeff Tramble, Sherry Bentley's cousin, Jeff, Tony Isbell, Linda Carter, Bill Roberts, Brock and Nan Thrice, Perry Duffy, Ron Shank, Willy Chambliss, Danny Collins, Gary Bentley, Brooke Carmack Smith and Easton, Johnny Jones, Ann Thompson, Ricky Griffin, Ruthie Courson.

Prayer Focus: The Tongue of a Disciple

Isaiah 50:4

Sometimes a simple word of encouragement can make an extraordinary difference in someone's life. A person may be struggling with discouragement, overwhelmed by circumstances, or quietly carrying burdens unknown to others. We may encounter them at church, at work, around a table over coffee, or in the marketplace, unaware that God has provided an opportunity to speak a timely word of hope.

Isaiah provides a beautiful prayer model for those desiring to become instruments of God's grace: *"The Lord GOD has given Me the tongue of disciples, That I may know how to sustain the weary one with a word. He awakens Me morning by morning, He awakens My ear to listen as a disciple"* (Isaiah 50:4).

Describing the Lord's Servant these words find their fullest expression in Jesus Christ who declared, "I speak these things as the Father taught Me" (John 8:28). His words

brought hope to the despairing, comfort to the sorrowful, and strength to the weary. He spoke with wisdom and compassion because He lived in perfect fellowship with the Father.

Isaiah connects the tongue of a disciple with the ear of a disciple. **Before the servant speaks, he listens.** Discipleship is not merely acquiring biblical knowledge or participating in church programs. It is learning from Jesus, walking with Him, and allowing His Word to shape our lives. Before we can minister God's Word to others, we must first allow His Word to minister to us.

Psalm 119 repeatedly expresses the prayer, "Teach me Your statutes." We can make this our prayer as we open Scripture, inviting the Holy Spirit to teach us and guide us into truth (John 14:26; 16:13). As we grow in our understanding of God's Word and experience His faithfulness, we become better prepared to encourage others.

Paul reinforces Isaiah's teaching by instructing believers to speak words appropriate for "edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear" (Ephesians 4:29). He adds, "Let your speech always be with grace, as though seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person" (Colossians 4:6).

We are only speak encouraging words, but speak **the right word at the right moment**. Sometimes that may be a Scripture passage, a reminder of God's faithfulness, or a simple expression of compassion. At other times, the most meaningful ministry begins by listening patiently to someone who needs to be heard.

Paul reminds us that God comforts us in our afflictions so that we may comfort others with the comfort we have received from Him (2 Corinthians 1:3–4) when our difficult experiences can prepare us to minister grace to someone facing similar circumstances.

As you pray today, ask the Lord to awaken your ear to His instruction and prepare your heart to recognize the needs of others. Pray for sensitivity to the Holy Spirit's guidance and wisdom to know when to speak, what to say, and when simply to listen. An ordinary conversation may become a divine encounter, and a timely word of encouragement may be the very means by which God sustains someone who is weary.

Prayer: *Lord God, give me the tongue of a disciple, so I may sustain the weary with a timely word of encouragement. Awaken my ear to hear Your instruction, fill my heart with Your compassion, and guide my words by Your Spirit. Help me recognize those who need encouragement and speak words that minister Your grace, hope, and strength. In Jesus' name, Amen.*



Weekly Calendar

Sunday School – 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service – 11:00 a.m.
Prayer Meeting tonight at 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study – 5:30 p.m.

Our **communion offering today** will go towards
The Voice of the Martyrs in honor of the saints that have gone before us and to those who are currently doing the work of Christ.

The prayer meeting tonight will be focusing on the election coming up on Tuesday. Please join us at 4:00 p.m.
All prayer meetings will be at 4:00 p.m. until the time changes in the spring.

Administrative Board Meeting Tomorrow
Monday, November 2nd at 5:30 p.m.

Next Sunday, November 8th, we will be having our Thanksgiving potluck meal. Bring a friend, bring a dish, and join us in fellowship!

Tuesday, November 10th, Women and Christian Service and the Men's Club will be having a joint meeting. The women will be providing a potluck meal for the men. We will be decorating the angel tree at the meeting.



The angel tree will be up and available for everyone after November 10th. Please be sure to sign your name next to the gift you are providing on the list by the tree. The gifts are due in the first week of December.

An exact date will be announced later.

A community Thanksgiving service will be held at First United Methodist Church Sunday, November 22nd at 6:00 p.m.

Vision Statement

Connecting Congregation and Community
with Jesus Christ
through the Presence and Power
of the Holy Spirit!

For your convenience, a QR code has been provided for our giving page
if you prefer to tithe and/or donate by card.
Be sure to choose which funds you are giving to. Thanks!

