

**First United Methodist Church of Freehold  
Bulletin**

**Sunday, November 5, 2023**

**23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/All Saints Sunday**

*We will be celebrating communion this morning.*

*For those of you joining us from home, please have bread and juice/wine available to participate.*

Announcements: Dan Tagatac

Prelude

Welcome: Dan Tagatac

\*Call to Worship: Dan Tagatac

Leader: God has provided enough to satisfy us, but the world is full of temptation.

**People: The love of money is the root of so much evil and causes so much pain.**

Leader: Let us pursue God over material things.

**People: Let us fight the good fight of faith, and so take hold of eternal life.**

\*Opening Prayer: (In Unison)

**Gracious God, help us to live in a community that finds contentment not in things, but in our relationship with you. We offer you thanksgiving for all that you have given us. Lead us to be good stewards of our resources of time, talent, and treasure, so that we might be a blessing to others. Today we will strive to focus on growing in righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness, as we remember all that you have provided. We ask this in your son's name. Amen.**

\*Opening Hymn: "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship" Brian Doerksen

Prayer for All Saints: (In Unison)

**We bless your holy name, O God, for all your servants who, having finished their course, now rest from their labors. Give us grace to follow the example of their steadfastness and faithfulness, to your honor and glory; through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

ROLL CALL OF THE SAINTS: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

\*Praise Song: "For All the Saints" UMH #711  
(v. 1, 2, 4, 6)

Introduction to Prayer: Rev. Yoseb Jeon  
*[For those joining us online, please submit your prayer requests in the comments on the virtual attendance sheet, or email the church office. Your prayer requests will be lifted up in next Sunday's service.]*

Prayer Hymn: "Seek Ye First" UMH #405

Pastoral Prayer: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Stewardship Moment: Ken Budka

Scripture Reading:

1 Timothy 6:6-12

Cindy Curtis-Budka

Friendship Moment and Passing of the Peace

*[For those joining us online, please take a moment to sign the online attendance form:*

[www.freeholdmethodist.org](http://www.freeholdmethodist.org)]

Message:

“Finding Our Contentment in God ”

Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Offering Time: Today’s Special Offering will benefit **United Methodist Student Day**. Gifts to United Methodist Student Day provide loan and scholarship funds for United Methodist college, university and graduate students. **Giving Page:** [www.freeholdmethodist.org/give](http://www.freeholdmethodist.org/give)

Offertory:

“Let My People Go”

Mitch Samu

FUMC Choir

\*Doxology:

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH #95

\*Offering Prayer: (In Unison)

**Lord God, all that we have is yours. Thank you for entrusting it to us. Please receive our offerings as an expression of our love for you, our commitment to the ministry of your church, and in the spirit of joy with which we offer it to you. We pray this in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

Celebration of Communion:

\*Sung Responses: “Communion Settings”

UMH pages 12-14  
TFWS #2257 (b, c, d)

Communion Hymn:

“Table of Plenty”

Dan Schutte

Prayer: (In Unison)

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn:

“Over My Head”

TFWS #2148

\*Benediction:

Rev. Yoseb Jeon

\*Postlude:

“Over My Head”  
(Reprise)

TFWS #2148

## **Scripture Passage**

**Liturgist: Cindy Curtis-Budka**

### **1 Timothy 6:6-12 (New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition)**

<sup>6</sup>Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, <sup>7</sup>for we brought nothing into the world, so that<sup>[a]</sup> we can take nothing out of it, <sup>8</sup>but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. <sup>9</sup>But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup>For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

### **The Good Fight of Faith**

<sup>11</sup>But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. <sup>12</sup>Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made<sup>[b]</sup> the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Opening Hymn:  
Come, Now Is the Time to Worship  
Brian Doerksen**

**(Chorus)**

**Come, now is the time to worship.  
Come, now is the time to give your heart.  
Come, just as you are to worship.  
Come, just as you are before your God.  
Come.**

**(Verse)**

One day every tongue  
Will confess You are God.  
One day every knee will bow.  
Still the greatest treasure remains  
For those who gladly choose You now.

**(Chorus)**

**Come, now is the time to worship.  
Come, now is the time to give your heart.  
Come, just as you are to worship.  
Come, just as you are before your God.  
Come.**

**(Verse)**

One day every tongue  
Will confess You are God.  
One day every knee will bow.  
Still the greatest treasure remains  
For those who gladly choose You now.

**(Repeat Verse 2x)**

**(Chorus)**

**Come, now is the time to worship.  
Come, now is the time to give your heart.  
Come, just as you are to worship.  
Come, just as you are before your God.  
Come.**

**(Ending)**

Come.  
Come.  
Just as you are, come.  
Come.

**Praise Song:  
For All the Saints (v. 1, 2, 4, 6)  
UMH #711**

**(Verse 1)**

For all the saints,  
Who from their labors rest,  
Who thee by faith  
before the world confessed,  
Thy name, O Jesus,  
Be forever blessed.  
Alleluia, alleluia!

**(Verse 2)**

Thou wast their Rock,  
Their fortress, and their might;  
Thou, Lord, their Captain  
In the well-fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear,  
Their one true light.  
Alleluia, alleluia!

**(Verse 4)**

O blessed communion,  
Fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle,  
They in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee,  
For all are thine.  
Alleluia, alleluia!

**(Verse 6)**

From earth's wide bounds,  
From ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl streams  
In countless host,  
Singing to Father, Son,  
And Holy Ghost:  
Alleluia, alleluia!

**Prayer Hymn:**

**Seek Ye First**

**UMH #405**

Seek ye first  
The kingdom of God  
and his righteousness,  
And all these things  
Shall be added unto you.  
Allelu..., alleluia!

Ask,  
And it shall be given unto you;  
Seek and ye shall find;  
Knock, and the door  
Shall be opened unto you.  
Allelu..., alleluia!

**Doxology:**

**“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

**UMH #95**

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.

**Communion Settings**

**TFWS #2257**

**(b, c, d)**

Holy, holy, holy Lord;  
God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Blest if the one who comes  
In the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!

Christ has died, Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.  
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!

Amen. Amen. Amen.  
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!

**Communion Hymn:**

**Table of Plenty**

**Dan Schutte**

**(Chorus)**

**Come to the feast of heaven and earth!**

**Come to the table of plenty!**

**God will provide for all that we need**

**Here at the table of plenty.**

(Verse 1)

O come and sit at my table

Where saints and sinners are friends.

I wait to welcome the lost and the lonely

To share the cup of my love.

**(Repeat Chorus)**

(Verse 2)

O come and eat without money;

Come to drink without price.

My feast of gladness will feed your spirit

With faith and fullness of life.

**(Repeat Chorus)**

(Verse 3)

My bread will ever sustain you

Through days of sorrow and woe.

My wine will flow like a sea of gladness

To flood the depths of your soul.

**(Repeat Chorus)**

(Verse 4)

Your fields will flower in fullness;

Your homes will flourish in peace.

For I, the giver of home and harvest,

Will send my rain on the soil.

**(Repeat Chorus)**

**Closing Hymn:**

**Over My Head**

**TFWS #2148**

Over my head, I hear music in the air;

Over my head, I hear music in the air;

Over my head, I hear music in the air;

There must be a God somewhere.

Oh, when the world is silent, *I hear music in the air;*

Oh, when the world is silent, *I hear music in the air;*

Oh, when the world is silent, *I hear music in the air;*

There must be a God somewhere.

Over my head, I hear music in the air;

Over my head, I hear music in the air;

Over my head, I hear music in the air;

There must be a God somewhere.

And when I'm feeling lonely, *I hear music in the air;*

And when I'm feeling lonely, *I hear music in the air;*

And when I'm feeling lonely, *I hear music in the air;*

There must be a God somewhere.

Over my head, I hear music in the air;

Over my head, I hear music in the air;

Over my head, I hear music in the air;

There must be a God somewhere.

Now when I think on Jesus, *I hear music in the air;*

Now when I think on Jesus, *I hear music in the air;*

Now when I think on Jesus, *I hear music in the air;*

There must be a God somewhere.

Over my head, I hear music in the air;

Over my head, I hear music in the air;

Over my head, I hear music in the air;

There must be a God somewhere.

**Announcements**  
**November 5, 2023**

Welcome to worship at the First United Methodist Church of Freehold. Whether you are joining us in person, or virtually, we are glad you are with us.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are donated by Cindy Curtis-Budka, in memory of her father, Larry Curtis. And by Anne Mayer, in memory of her father, Bill Mayer.

There are 4 tickets left for **“Christmas at the Playhouse”** December 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. Melanie Bowen will be taking reservations and payments through November 12<sup>th</sup>. Please call or email Melanie to reserve your tickets.

**Open Door** will be distributing Thanksgiving baskets in the community. Last year, we fed 575 families and we expect the same for this year. To make up the baskets, we need:

**(Bring on Nov. 12 and 19)**



Mashed potatoes  
Stuffing  
Canned Vegetables  
Canned Cranberry  
Turkey gravy

Corn muffin mix  
Coffee, tea, and hot chocolate  
Juice 64 oz  
Pasta and pasta sauce (no lasagna or shells please)  
Aluminum turkey roasting pans

**(Bring on Nov. 19 ONLY)**

Frozen turkey, turkey breast, or ham. Store bought pies - no frozen or homemade please.

Invite family and friends to service on **November 19<sup>th</sup>** for a special choral presentation of **“God’s Trombones”** written by Mitch Samu.

**Thanksgiving Bread Sale – November 19<sup>th</sup>** in Fellowship Hall. Pick up DELICIOUS breads for Thanksgiving! If you have a special holiday bread that you would like to bake for the sale, please sign up on the sheet in Fellowship Hall.

**November 19<sup>th</sup>** is **Stewardship Pledge Day**.

The **Elizabeth Circle** collecting items for senior citizens who are served by **OPEN DOOR**. The Elizabeth Circle will prepare 15 Christmas gift bags for women and 5 for men. The following items are needed by November 19<sup>th</sup>:

Shampoo	Small Tissue Packets (individual purse size)
Hand Lotion	Small Books (word search or crossword books)
Chap Stick or Lipstick	Pocket Size Hand Sanitizer
Full Size Deodorant	Small Notebooks
Full Size Soap	Gloves (one size fits all)
Non-slip Socks	Small bags of candy

\* Please place donations on the **OPEN DOOR** table in Missions Hall.

**Mittens & Hats to keep our friends at OPEN DOOR warm this winter!**



1. Pick up a gift tag from the basket next to the Mitten Tree in Fellowship Hall on Nov 12
2. Sign your name and phone number and the NUMBER of the tag you took
3. Purchase your gift
4. Attach the gift tag to the unwrapped hat & mitten with a safety pin
5. Hang the hats/mittens on the tree by DECEMBER 19 (and cross off your name)

**Grocery Cards** can be purchased in the Coffee Room following service.

*November Birthdays*

(2) Ed Bowen

(3) Nora Wentworth

(5) Carrie Healton

(7) Gilbert Healton

(8) Geri Losh

(10) Bob Duarte

(12) Ashley Wilson

(14) Chaz Restivo

(15) Alli Budka

(16) Connie Martz

(17) Gene Sampieri

(24) Tad Wentworth

(25) Kathy Mulholland

(30) Amy Wilson