

First United Methodist Church of Freehold
Bulletin

Sunday, October 16, 2022
19th Sunday after Pentecost/Laity Sunday

Announcements: Sharon Shutzer

Prelude:

Welcome: Lead by Sharon Shutzer

*Call to Worship: Lead by Sharon Shutzer

Leader: God gives us grace, often in unusual ways.

People: Let us be more aware of the ways God's grace comes to us.

Leader: May we always show gratitude and praise God, especially for the ultimate gift of grace, Jesus!

People: We praise God for all the gifts God has given, especially God's gift of Jesus.

Leader: The man who was lame from birth received something unexpected and praised God!

People: Like him, help us to rise up and testify to the goodness of God. United, let us share God's love and grace with others.

*Opening Prayer: (In Unison) Lead by Sharon Shutzer

Almighty God, we are so grateful that you often surprise us with your grace. Help us to be like the lame man, who walked, leaped, and praised you! Help us to rise up, testify and praise your Glory, as we witness and share the grace of Jesus with all we meet. We ask this, in the name of your beloved son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Opening Hymn: "O How I Love Jesus" UMH #170

*Praise Hymn: "How Great Is Our God" Tomlin, Reeves and Cash

Prayer Hymn: "Lord I Need You" Nockels, Carson, Reeves, Stanfill, Maher

Pastoral Prayer: Lay Leader, Pamela Wentworth

[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.]

The Lord's Prayer: UMH #895

Scripture Reading: Acts 3:1-10 Dan Tagatac

Sermon: "Empowered to Empower" Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Offering: Today's **Special Offering** will benefit CWS/Crop. Money raised in the Freehold Area CROP Walk provides sustainable self-help, development, disaster relief here and abroad, and refugee assistance. CROP Walks fight hunger and poverty through advocacy and collaboration with partners in over 30 countries. 25% of proceeds are returned to local food pantries to help meet hunger needs here at home. **Please make checks out to FUMC with "CWS/CROP" in the memo line.**

Offertory: "God Is the Lord of All" Handel
F.U.M.C. Choir

*Doxology: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #95

*Offertory Prayer: (In Unison)

Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Your power and might, O God, bring forth our worship and praise. Your love and mercy, Compassionate One, call forth our gratefulness and thanksgiving. In appreciation for your blessing in our lives, we offer you these gifts from our hearts, this fruit of our industry. Receive them, we pray, in the name of the one who ascended to heaven, that our lives here on earth might be filled with your Spirit. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

*Closing Hymn:

"Better Is One Day"

Redman

*Benediction:

Rev. Yoseb Jeon

*Postlude

Scripture Passage for Sunday, October 16, 2022

Liturgist: Dan Tagatac

Acts 3:1-10

Peter Heals a Crippled Beggar

3 One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, at three o'clock in the afternoon. ² And a man lame from birth was being carried in. People would lay him daily at the gate of the temple called the Beautiful Gate so that he could ask for alms from those entering the temple. ³ When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked them for alms. ⁴ Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, "Look at us." ⁵ And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. ⁶ Peter said, "I have no silver or gold, but what I have I give you; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, ^[a] stand up and walk." ⁷ And he took him by the right hand and raised him up, and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. ⁸ Jumping up, he stood and began to walk, and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. ⁹ All the people saw him walking and praising God, ¹⁰ and they recognized him as the one who used to sit and ask for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple, and they were filled with wonder and astonishment at what had happened to him.

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

**Opening Hymn:
O How I Love Jesus
UMH #170**

(Verse 1)

There is a name I love to hear,
I love to sing its worth;
It sounds like music in my ear,
The sweetest name on earth.

Chorus

**O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
Because He first loved me!**

(Verse 2)

It tells me of a Savior's love,
Who died to set me free;
It tells me of His precious blood,
The sinner's perfect plea.

Chorus

**O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
Because He first loved me!**

(Verse 4)

It tells of One whose loving heart
Can feel my deepest woe;
Who in each sorrow bears a part
That none can bear below.

Chorus

**O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
Because He first loved me!**

**Praise Hymn:
How Great Is Our God
Tomlin, Reeves & Cash**

The splendor of the King,
Clothed in majesty;
Let all the earth rejoice,
All the earth rejoice.

He wraps Himself in light,
And darkness tries to hide;
And trembles at His voice,
And trembles at His voice.

How great is our God!
Sing with me,
"How great is our God!"
And all will see how great,
How great is our God!

And age to age He stands,
And time is in His hands;
Beginning and the End,
Beginning and the End.

The Godhead, three in one,
Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb,
The Lion and the Lamb.

How great is our God!
Sing with me,
"How great is our God!"
And all will see how great,
How great is our God!

(Bridge)

Name above all names,
Worthy of all praise;
My heart will sing,
"How great is our God!"

How great is our God!
Sing with me,
"How great is our God!"
And all will see how great,
How great is our God!

**Prayer Hymn:
Lord I Need You**

Nockels, Carson, Reeves, Stanfill, Maher

Lord, I come, I confess.
Bowling here I find my rest.
And without You, I fall apart.
You're the one that guides my heart.

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You,
Every hour I need You;
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh God, how I need You.

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more.
Where grace is found, is where You are.
And where You are Lord, I am free;
Holiness, is Christ in me.
Where You are Lord, I am free;
Holiness, is Christ in me.

So, teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way.
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus, You're my hope and stay.
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus, You're my hope and stay.

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You,
Every hour I need You;
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh God, how I need You.
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh God, how I need You.

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.

**Closing Hymn:
Better Is One Day
Matt Redman**

(Verse 1)

How lovely is Your dwelling place
O Lord almighty
For my soul longs and even faints for You
For here my heart is satisfied
Within Your presence
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

(Chorus)

Better is one day in Your courts
Better is one day in Your house
Better is one day in Your courts
Than thousands elsewhere
(Than thousands elsewhere)

(Verse 2)

One thing I ask and I would seek
To see Your beauty
To find You in the place
Your glory dwells
(REPEAT)

(Bridge)

My heart and flesh cry out
For You the living God
Your Spirit's water to my soul
I've tasted and I've seen
Come once again to me
I will draw near to You
I will draw near to You to You

(Bridge)

Better is one day better is one day
Better is one day than thousands elsewhere
Better is one day better is one day
Better is one day than thousands elsewhere