Grottoes United Methodist Church Pastor – Brian Posey October 23, 2022 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering:

Prelude:

Welcome:

Announcements:

Call to Worship:

Let us gather this day to hear the wonderful of the Lord! **For in God's Word we have salvation and the promise of God's eternity.** In the Kingdom of God the Spirit of the Lord will pour out its blessings. **And our young men and women will proclaim God's holy Word.** The dreams and visions of the generations will glorify God. **Blessed be the name of the Lord!**

Opening Hymn:

"Spirit Song"

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Opening Prayer:

Most loving and gracious God, in your infinite wisdom you gave us the prophecies of old which still fill our hearts with excitement. Pour out your Spirit anew, Lord, and bless us again. In Christ we pray. Amen.

Psalm Reading:

<u>Psalm 84:1-7</u>

How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

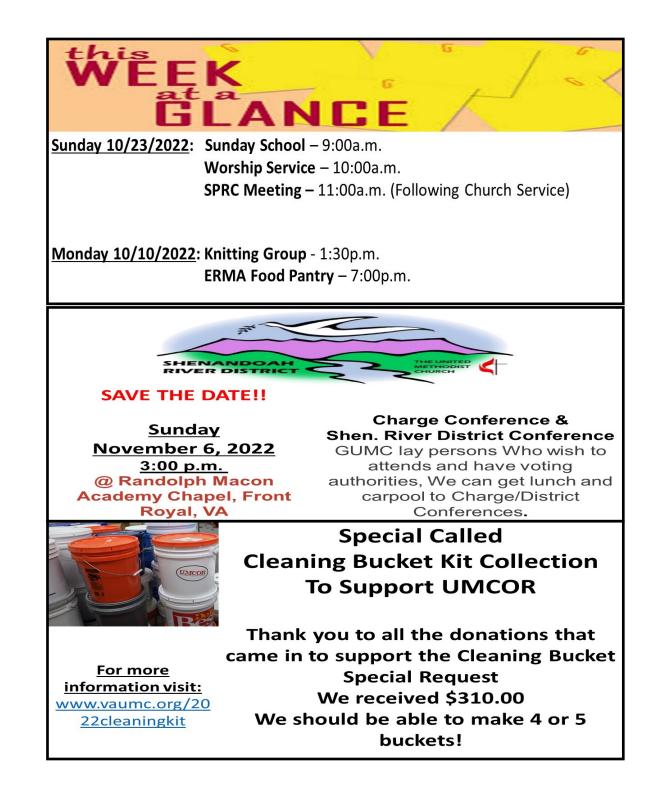
Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.

Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion. As they go through the valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools.

They go from strength to strength; the God of gods will be seen in Zion

Joys & Concerns: Pastoral Prayer:







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.

1st Scripture Lesson: 2nd Scripture Lesson: Prayer of Illumination: Message: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Joel 2:23-32 "A Story of Resurrection"

Prayer of Confession:

Creator God, we confess this day to engaging in habits that diminish the bounty of your creation. Not satisfied with the goodness of your holy temple, your seas and mountains, your rain and soil, we have fashioned a system of sustenance that seems good to us, but cannot be sustained. Be merciful to us, for we have sinned. Answer us with awesome deeds of deliverance, O Hope of the Earth. Give us vision and a prophetic spirit. Renew our vocation, as stewards of your creation. Amen.

Moment of Silence for Personal Reflection & Confession: Words of Assurance:

Tithes & Offering: Offertory Prayer: Doxology:

Song:

"Here I Am Lord"

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Dismissal with Blessing:







Sunday School Classes meet at 8:45a.m.

Open Doors Sunday School Class Meets in the room to the Right Side Room off of the Sanctuary

> Explorers Sunday School Class Meets in the Left Side Room off of the Sanctuary



Deep Blue Children's Ministry

Children 2nd—5th Grades Meets Thursday Evening 5:30-7:00

Deep Blue will begin their Summer Break May 31st



Deeper Blue Girls Youth

Middle School aged girls Youth Meets Tuesday Evenings 4:30-5:30p.m. Seeks ways to know Jesus Better and to engage in service Christ and Neighbors using their talents, compassion, and love.

On Summer Break beginning May 31st



Monday at 1:30p.m – 3:30 Come and Join us!