#### Worship Notes for July 18-19, 2020 **Orrville Trinity UMC "Miracle of Mercy" Series**

Greetings! As we gather outdoors or online this weekend, here are some resources to help you engage the worship theme with your family or small group. Please use these pages to take notes as you listen to the sermon and participate in your small group.

Blessings in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Pastor David

### **Opening Prayer**

From the comfort of our homes we gather to worship. Whether through printed word, or through the gift of technology, we are a community. Here we seek connection to the Divine. Come, let us worship God, shown to us through the risen Christ.

### SERMON NOTES FOR WEEK #2 - "MERCY FORGIVES THE FALLEN"

#### **Memory Verse:**

"Love keeps no record of wrongs" (1 Corinthians 13:5, NIV)

Matthew 18:21-16 "Not seven times, but seventy-seven times"

## **3 REASONS I MUST LEARN TO FORGIVE**

1. Because

Matthew 18:27-30; Ephesians 4:32

2. Because \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 18:31-34; Job 21:23-25

3. Because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the future.

Matthew 18:35; Matthew 5:7; Romans 12:19; 1 Corinthians 13:5

# HOW CAN YOU RELEASE YOUR HURT?

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_.

2. \_\_\_\_\_.

Hebrews 12:15

3.\_\_\_\_\_.

Romans 6:6

# SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS FOR CONVERSATION

If this is your group's first meeting, or if you have new members, be sure to introduce yourselves.

- Is it difficult for you to believe that God has completely forgiven you and doesn't hold your past against you?
- How can unforgiveness toward others affect your relationship with God?
- "Forgiveness is not about fairness. Forgiveness is about grace." How do you respond to that?
- Have you been forgiven by someone who chose grace over getting even? If so, how did their gift of forgiveness affect your relationship with them?

## PUTTING IT INTO PRACTICE

**Personal:** How is the Holy Spirit prompting you to think of someone that you need to forgive?

**Group:** continue the work of developing a Mercy Project for your small group. Identify a project champion from your group. By the way, it's not too late to sign up to join a group!