



*Welcome to worship! No matter where you are, where you have been, or where you are on your faith journey, our prayer is that you will find a place to belong in worship and mission with us.*

September 19, 2021

8:30 am

#### Preparation for Worship

The wisdom from above calls to us--calling us to peace and gentleness, kindness and mercy, goodness and service.

Focus Scripture

Psalm 1

Prelude

*Faith of Our Fathers*

Hughes

#### \*Call to Worship

Draw near to God, and God will draw near to you.

**As we come into God's presence, the Spirit is speaking words of wisdom.**

The Spirit calls us to kindness and peace. Wisdom calls us to service and love.

\*Hymn

*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

No. 402

Common Prayer (Let us pray together...)

**Servant God, humble our hearts and quiet our minds that we may reflect your servant heart in everything we say and do. Plant your wisdom in our lives, that we might live your teachings and bear fruit at just the right time. With humble hearts, we pray. Amen.**

Scripture

Mark 9:30-37

Kid's Time

Message

Anthem

*One Step, He Leads*

Choir

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Sharing of our Gifts and Lives

Doxology No. 94

Prayer of Dedication

**God of love and service, bless these gifts, that others may be loved and served in our giving. Bless our lives, that we may love and serve one another as you have loved and served us. Amen.**

Hymn

*Are Ye Able*

No. 530

Announcements

Benediction

We go now to serve...

**welcoming every child we meet,**  
loving every person we encounter,  
**serving by all the means we can,**  
in all the places we can,  
**for however long we can.**

Postlude

*O Jesus, King Most Wonderful*

Birchwood

Worship Assistants today:

Song Leader: Kathy Brown

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Our Staff:

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Office Hours--Monday-Thursday 9 am - 12 noon  
Live Radio Broadcast 8:30 a.m. WCZQ 105.5 FM  
Worship: 8:30a in person and Facebook Live  
10:45am in person

## Food Pantry Needs

### Week of September 19th

We have a few holes on our shelves this week. Could you please help? Thank you for your help!

Have a blessed week!

Food Pantry Needs:

Vegetables (regular and no salt) specifically green beans and corn

Mandarin Oranges

Paper Towels

Applesauce (regular and unsweetened)

### Calendar

#### Today

8:30 am Worship, in-person, online and radio

9:45 am All Sunday School classes!

10:45 am Worship, in-person

5:00 pm Middle School Youth Group

6:00 pm Youth Fellowship Meal

6:30 pm High School Youth Group

#### Monday, September 20

4:00 pm T.O.P.S (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

#### Tuesday, September 21

8:15 am Just Walking

7:00 pm **Church Council**

#### Wednesday, September 22

1:00 pm Bible Study

6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm Bell Rehearsal

8:00 pm New Day Rehearsal

#### Thursday, September 23

7:00 am High School Breakfast Club

8:15 am Just Walking

#### Sunday, September 26

8:30 am Worship, in-person, online and radio

9:45 am All Sunday School classes

10:45 am Worship, in-person

4:00 pm **Blessing of the Animals**

6:30 pm Youth Group Movie Night

Next Sunday we will be having a Blessing of the Animals service outside--please come with your pet to receive a blessing and a treat!

Our Charge Conference will be Wednesday, October 6 at Decatur 1st UMC at 7 pm.