

**BETHESDA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**10:30 a.m. Sunday 7 August 2022**

**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

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**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

**ENTRANCE**

Lighting of Candles and Prelude

Announcements *(To help us connect, please sign  
the attendance pad in your pew)*

\*Greeting\*: Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord:  
though your sins are like scarlet,  
they shall be like snow;  
**though they are red like crimson,  
they shall become like wool.**  
*(Isaiah 1:18, Alt.)*

\*Praise Choruses: 2031 "We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise"  
2140 "Since Jesus Came into My Heart"

\*Opening Prayer\*:  
Ever present God,  
you taught us that the night is far spent  
and the day is at hand.  
**Grant that we may ever be found  
watching for the coming of your Son.  
Save us from undue love of the world,  
that we may wait with patient hope  
for the day of the Lord,  
and so abide in him,  
that when he shall appear, we may not be ashamed;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**  
*(Church of Scotland, 20th Cent., Alt.)*

\*Opening Hymn: 529 "How Firm a Foundation"

Prayer for Illumination: 596 "Blessed Jesus, at thy Word"

First Lesson; Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

Psalter: *(Insert, alternate leader and people)* Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23

Second Lesson: Hebrews 11:13, 8-16

\*Hymn of Preparation: *(Tune 57)*  
**Faith, mighty faith, the promise sees,  
and looks to that alone,  
laughs at impossibilities,  
and cries, "It shall be done!"**

**Obedient faith, that waits on thee,  
thou never wilt reprove,  
but thou wilt form thy Son in me,  
and perfect me in love. *(Charles Wesley)***

\*Gospel Lesson: Luke 12:32-40

Sermon: *"Daily faith"*

Prayer of Confession: 893

Joys, Concerns, Prayers

"The Peace: Let us offer one another  
signs of reconciliation and love.  
The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

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**THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION (Page 15ff)**  
**All are welcome**

Invitation: As forgiven and reconciled people,  
let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

Offering/Offertory

\*Doxology: 349 "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving\*\*:

All things come from you, O God,  
and with gratitude we return to you what is yours.  
You created all that is, and with love formed us in your image.  
**When our love failed, your love remained steadfast.**  
**You gave your only Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior.**  
**All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you.**  
**And so, in gratitude for all your gifts,**  
**we offer you ourselves, and all that we have,**  
**in union with Christ's offering for us.**  
**By your Holy Spirit make us one with Christ,**  
**one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world;**  
**through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**  
*(Hoyt L. Hickman, U.S.A., 20th Cent., Alt.)*

The Great Thanksgiving: Page 15ff

**SENDING FORTH**

\*Closing Hymn: 127 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

\*Dismissal: Learn to do good,  
seek justice,  
rescue the oppressed,  
defend the orphan,  
plead for the widow. *(Isaiah 1:17)*

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\*Blessing: **Go in peace, and the God of peace go with us all.**  
**Amen.**

\*Extinguishing of Candles and Postlude

\*Going Forth

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\*Indicates the people standing, if able and willing

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