

**Tabernacle United Methodist Church**  
**September 6, 2020**

WELCOME!

CENTERING OUR WORSHIP

We gather in the presence of God to encounter Love that sets free.

**All: We do not come seeking crumbs of justice but a way of life that liberates.**

Together, we practice courage in resisting evil and rejecting the temptations of complicity and complacency.

**All: The Spirit leads us in power and truth.**

Our faith is placed in Love Eternal that lifts broken spirits and brings new life from places of ruin.

**All: With hope that is neither narrow nor fragile, we come to follow Christ.**

*(From the "Enfleshed" Liturgy Library)*

CELEBRATING FAITH IN SONG

Seek Ye First

*Seek ye first the kin-dom of God  
And God's righteousness;  
And all these things shall be added unto you.  
Hallelu, Hallelujah!*

*Ask, and it shall be given unto you;  
Seek, and you shall find.  
Knock, and it shall be opened unto you.  
Hallelu, Hallelujah!*

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Seek the Lord" by Theresa Lee-Whiting

FOCUS SCRIPTURE

Matthew 7:1-12

YOUTH DRAMA

DEEPENING OUR PRACTICE

**All: Gracious God, we yearn to be clear reflections of your love in a world thirsting for divine love. Guide us into a practice of welcoming your Spirit's cleansing love so that we may acknowledge and release all that obscures divine light in our lives.**

*(Personal Silence)*

Hear the Good News: You and I are not defined by what has happened in our lives; not by what we have done, nor by what has been done to us. We are called beloved by God who created us. Let that be enough today; beloved ones. May the peace of Christ be with you!

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### Ongoing Prayer Requests:

Matt, Lou A, Deb B, Jeff C, Richard C, Andy C, Linda G, David G, Barbara H, Danielle K,  
Tiernan K, Evy S, Cindy S, Sharon & Ron Q, Joe

### This Week's Prayer Needs:

Sharon Kriner - prayers for Ron McMahon's family. He passed away after seriously being injured from a fall.

Ashley McKenna - Zack's 22 year old cousin Jack passed away after a short battle with brain cancer. Please send some prayers to Jack's parents and siblings. Also for Kathy who is living with metastatic breast cancer and did not get good test results.

Marilyn Hiser - Blessings for Glenn Hiser getting out on Tuesday, September 1st after having surgery, and is doing very well.

### Surely the Presence

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.  
I can feel God's mighty power and God's grace.  
I can hear the brush of angel's wings,  
I see glory on each face.  
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.  
Pastoral Prayer

### The 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,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.

## A CELEBRATION OF GIVING

## MESSAGE

## SINGING OUR FAITH

We Are Called

Come, live in the light

Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord

We are called to be light for the kingdom

To live in the freedom of the city of God

Refrain:

We are called to act with justice

We are called to love tenderly

We are called to serve one another

To walk humbly with God

Come, open your heart

Show your mercy to all those in fear

We are called to be hope for the hopeless

So all hatred and blindness will be no more

Refrain:

Sing, sing a new song

Sing of that great day when all will be one

God will reign and we'll walk with each other

As sisters and brothers united in love (united in love)

We are called to act with justice

We are called to love tenderly

We are called to serve one another

Refrain:

## BENEDICTION