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**Tenth Sunday
after Pentecost**

**Fairmount Avenue
United Methodist Church**



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*A welcoming, joyful community,
igniting hearts and minds for God's work.*

WELCOME

PRAYER OF INVITATION

UM Worship and Song No. 190:
Safiyah Fosua, trans. Julio Vargas-Vidal
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***Make my life a libation
poured out like oil,
diffused through air
like perfume
blessing multitudes.***

***Make me a libation
poured out to God,
not Mother Church,
or someone else's agendas;
an emissary of Christ,
lighthouse and cattle-prod,
bringing tidings of peace
and warnings of the wrath to come.***

***Let me not be sacrificed
on the altar of the church's indifference,
nor let me confuse sacrifice with suffering
for selfish gain.***

*At the end of my days,
when life on this globe is over,
let it be truthfully said
my life was poured out for you.*

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

Hymn No. 140

WORDS: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923 (Lam. 3:22-23)

MUSIC: William M. Runyan, 1923

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*Great is thy faithfulness,
O God my Father;
there is no shadow
of turning with thee;*

*thou changest not,
thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been,
thou forever wilt be.*

Refrain

Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

all I have needed

thy hand hath provided;

great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

*Summer and winter
and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars
in their courses above*

*join with all nature in
manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness,
mercy, and love.*

Refrain

Great is thy faithfulness!

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Morning by morning new mercies I see;

all I have needed

thy hand hath provided;

great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

*Pardon for sin and a
peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence
to cheer and to guide;*

***strength for today
and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine,
with ten thousand beside!***

Refrain

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Morning by morning new mercies I see;

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CHILDREN'S TIME

Children are invited to come forward as parents are comfortable. Please note that those who come forward may be visible on the livestream.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

UM Book of Worship No. 488:
Miriam Therese Winter, USA, 20th cent. alt.

We confess that the circle of love is repeatedly broken

because of our sin of exclusion.

We create separate circles: the inner circle and the outer circle, the circle of power and the circle of despair,

the circle of privilege and the circle of deprivation.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive all who have sinned against us.

We confess that the circle of love is broken whenever there is alienation, whenever there is misunderstanding, whenever there is insensitivity or a hardening of the heart.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive all who have sinned against us.

We confess that the circle of love is broken
whenever we cannot see eye to eye,
whenever we cannot link hand to hand,
whenever we cannot live heart to heart and
affirm our differences.

***Forgive us our sins, as we forgive all who
have sinned against us.***

Through God's grace we are forgiven,
by the mercy of the Creator,
through the love of the Christ,
and in the power of the Spirit.

Let us rejoice and be glad!

Glory to God! Amen.

ANTHEM

Adagio from Sonata in B Minor

Rachel Van Fleet on flute

G.F. Handel

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

We now offer petitions of joy and concern from prayer cards.

Lord in your mercy... *hear our prayer.*

In gratitude let us pray to the Lord... *hear our prayer.*

*Prayers lifted during this time are shared with our Prayer Chain,
a group of individuals who have covenanted to being in prayer
with and for our congregation.*

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

“Open my Eyes, That I May See”

Hymn No. 454

WORDS and MUSIC: Clara H. Scott, 1895

*Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me,
place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.*

Refrain

*Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit divine!*

*Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth thou sendest clear;
and while the wave-notes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.*

Refrain

*Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me,
Spirit divine!*

*Open my mouth and let me bear
gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare
love with thy children thus to share.*

Refrain

*Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart, illumine me,
Spirit divine!*

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 80

¹ Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,
you who lead Joseph like a flock!

You who are enthroned upon the cherubim,
shine forth

² before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh.
Stir up your might,
and come to save us!

³ Restore us, O God;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.

⁴ O LORD God of hosts,
how long will you be angry with your people's
prayers?

⁵ You have fed them with the bread of tears
and given them tears to drink in full measure.

⁶ You make us the scorn of our neighbors;
our enemies laugh among themselves.

⁷ Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.

⁸ You brought a vine out of Egypt;
you drove out the nations and planted it.

⁹ You cleared the ground for it;
it took deep root and filled the land.

¹⁰ The mountains were covered with its shade,
the mighty cedars with its branches;

¹¹ it sent out its branches to the sea
and its shoots to the River.

12 Why then have you broken down its walls,
so that all who pass along the way pluck its
fruit?

13 The boar from the forest ravages it,
and all that move in the field feed on it.

14 Turn again, O God of hosts;
look down from heaven and see;

have regard for this vine,

¹⁵ the stock that your right hand planted.

¹⁶ It has been burned with fire; it has been cut
down;

may they perish at the rebuke of your
countenance.

17 But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,

the one whom you made strong for yourself.

18 Then we will never turn back from you;
give us life, and we will call on your name.

19 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.

SERMON

Sunday Reset

“Seek Ye First”

Hymn No. 405

WORDS and MUSIC: Karen Lafferty, 1972 (Mt. 6:33; 7:7)

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***Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and his righteousness,
and all these things
shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!***

***Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
seek and ye shall find;
knock, and the door shall
be opened unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!***

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Postlude

Mindy Way-Johnson

Felix Mendelssohn

GO IN PEACE.

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