June 30 2024

Cokesbury UMC

Welcome

Call to Worship: (Psalm 30)

L: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

All: Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

L: By your favor, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain; when you hid your face; I was dismayed.

All: To you, O Lord, I cried, "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?

L: Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!"

All: You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

Hymn A Mighty Fortress Is Our God UMH 110

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing, were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus it is he; Lord Sabbaoth, his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us. The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him;

his rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours, thru him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill; God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

Opening Prayer: O God, you sent the Holy Spirit to enkindle the zeal of Christ's followers waiting in Jerusalem. Revive the power of the gospel in our hearts as we draw near to hear your word and listen for the message you have for us today. Enable us to spread the good news of salvation. Amen.

Scripture Reading Lamentations 3:22-23

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

_ "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. For the Lord will not reject forever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

L: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God within us, for the Word of God among us we say: **All: Thanks be to God!**

Anthem Choir

Message Pastor Gayle

Prayer of Confession UMH 8

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Congregation: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
All: Glory to God. Amen.

Passing the Peace of Christ

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Offering: We offer our gifts of time, resources, abilities

Hymn Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore UMH 344 Lord, you have come to the lakeshore looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones; you only asked me to follow humbly.

Refrain O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me, and while smiling have spoken my name; now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me; by your side I will seek other seas.

You know so well my possessions; my boat carries no gold and no weapons; you will find there my nets and labor. *Refrain*

You need my hands, full of caring through my labors to give others rest, and constant love that keeps on loving. *Refrain*

Doxology UMH 95

Holy Communion Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH 13

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**Pastor: Lift up your hearts. **People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: ...We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor: ... As we proclaim the mystery of faith

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving: Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Announcements

Benediction

Hymn *My Country, 'Tis of Thee* UMH 697 My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing; land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride, from every mountainside let freedom ring.

Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees sweet freedom's song; let mortal tongues awake; let all that breathe partake; let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.

Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing; long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might, great God, our King.

Please pray for: Olin Bockes, Kyle, Yancy, Tyric, Gloria and Keith, Sidney, Linda, Shelby, Ann, Rob, Judy S., Anthony, Julius, Janette, Mike P., Pearl, Tom, Nalo, Ayinde, Chris, Koto, Nema, Hazel, Jay, Allison, Olivia, Lyn, Terry, Hayley, Tina, Leo, Eunice, Ed, Barbara, Mary, Millie, people of Ukraine, Israel, Palestinans, Barbara H., Bob and Kathy, Wenona, Mark Y., Requests will be kept on the list for 4 weeks and then may be re-submitted.

Place prayer cards in offering plate or email cokesburyumc@gmail.com

Happening Today

New Study Journey through the Psalms

This Week at Cokesbury

Prayer Practice Wednesday at 5:30pm

Choir practice Saturdays at 12 noon adults

Community Garden: garden plots for seasonal lease. \$15/plot/growing season.
CommunityGarden@cokesburyumc.church

Monthly

English Language Class July 6th 10am.

Men's Breakfast First Saturday of Month 8:30am. July 6

Welcome Table Potluck every second Sunday at 11:30 am

Friday with Friends every Third Friday at 11 am Bring a bag lunch. Food and conversation.

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Contact Pastor Gayle: 703.980.1029. Mondays are her sabbath.