

October 29, 2023

8:45am

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Jubilee! Worship Service

Scripture

Matthew 22: 1-14 Linda Wakefield

Sermon

Mike Gehring

"Are You Ready?"

We are happy you have joined us for our Jubilee! Worship Service today! Please sign the Connection Pad so that we may have a record of your presence.

Today's Jubilee Worship Leaders:

Clay Howard, Jubilee Music Director Victoria Smathers, Director of Children's Ministries Dr. Michael Gehring, Senior Pastor

Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. **Our Vision:** Fostering vital communities through love and life-changing experiences.

Let's Worship Together!

Sundays

8:30am less-formal Traditional service in the Sanctuary 8:45am Jubilee Contemporary service in the Chapel 10:55am Traditional Worship service in the Sanctuary **Wednesdays** (September-May) 5:30pm Oasis Mid-week Service in the Sanctuary

Thursdays

7:00pm NOW: Night of Worship contemporary service in the Chapel (1st & 3rd Thursdays)

Announcements

BE SURE TO PICK UP a copy of the new *Ministry Opportunities Survey* from the Narthex or Commons and let us know how you would like to share your time and talents with the church. This survey has over seventy opportunities for you to serve and connect with your church family. Complete the survey to sign up for something new or tell us that you want to continue with the ministries where you already serve---we want to hear from everyone! Surveys are due by November 30.

THE WEDNESDAY CONNECT DINNER on Nov. 1 is Lasagna (gluten-free entrée is available upon request). Dinner is served at **5:30pm**. Reservations can be made by: signing a reservation card and placing it in the offering plate; emailing Kathryn (kathryn.jenkins@mainstreetumc.org); calling the church office at 336-993-3411; visiting our website or clicking the link in the Thursday Connections email each week. Reservations must be made by **Monday at noon**. The suggested donation is \$6/adult, \$3/child (10 & under). Christian Fellowship/Crossroads SS classes serving.

JOIN US FOR our Night of Worship (NOW) service at 7pm on November 2 in the Chapel. Childcare is provided.

THE ANNUAL NEVER FORGET VETERAN'S MINISTRY LUNCH for our church veterans is coming up on November 4. Please consider volunteering for this special event! Signup at www.mainstreetumc.org—look for the red stripe and click on "signups."

IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR THE HARVEST FEAST on November 5 in the Fellowship Hall! This will be a great time to come together as a church family and see friends who attend all of our different worship services! We will gather for fellowship at 5:00pm and will start the meal at 5:30pm. This will be a true covered-dish dinner so bring your most delicious entrees, sides, and desserts to share. Go to mainstreetumc.org and click on "signups" on the red stripe to let us know that you will be joining us for the Harvest Feast!

ALL SAINTS DAY is Sunday, <u>November 5</u>. All Saints is the day set aside in the Christian Year to remember those who we love who have made a significant impact on our lives and faith and who have completed this life and now live forever in the church eternal. You are invited to stop by the Sanctuary Narthex and place a bell on the All Saints Day Banner as a remembrance of those you love who have died. The All Saints Day Banner will be displayed during our 8:30 and 10:55 worship services on November 5.

ALL UNITED METHODIST MEN are invited to the **November 7** Quarterly Meeting, at 7 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Our speaker will be Lisa Miller, Senior Center Director for The Shepherd's Center of Kernersville. Come learn about programs that may interest you and share what you are doing already. Make dinner reservations by November 3 and please invite a friend. Go to mainstreetumc.org and click on "signups" on the red stripe to let us know that you plan to attend.

OLDER ADULT LUNCHEON—join us in the Fellowship Hall on **November 9** at 11:45am for lunch and fellowship! RSVP to Pat Knox (call the church for phone number).

FROZEN CASSEROLE SALE: The United Women of Faith will sell frozen casseroles on **November 12** in the room beside the Library from 9:30am until 12:30pm. Selections will include Mrs. Mary's Chicken, Melt in Your Mouth, Poppyseed Chicken, and Swiss Chicken Casseroles (small \$12 and large \$15). Sweet Potato Casserole will also be available (small \$10 and large \$12).

HERITAGE CLUB OUTING on **November 14** to Southern Supreme Fruitcake Factory for shopping & lunch. Bus will leave the church at 9:00. Cost for bus will be \$5 and you will pay for your lunch at the restaurant. Contact Debbie Smith for more information (*call church office for Debbie's phone number*).

PARENTS NIGHT OUT on November 18 from 5 to 8pm. Register at mainstreetumc.org and click "signups" on the red stripe. Suggested donation is \$10 per child.

JOB OPENINGS: We would like to hire a Chancel Chorale Accompanist/Pianist and a Technology Ministries Director. The complete job descriptions for these part-time positions can be found under "NEWS" at mainstreetumc.org or you can contact Tina Crew in the church office for more details (336-993-3411).

CRISIS CONTROL Collection boxes are in the new main entrance for donations to Crisis Control's Item of the Month. October's item is beef stew; other non-perishable food items can be donated as well. Items may be dropped off at any time during office hours (8:30-4:00 Monday-Thursday and 8:30-noon on Friday).

Lyrics

Soul on Fire

Refrain: God, I'm running for Your heart
I'm running for Your heart
Till I am a soul on fire
Lord, I'm longing for Your ways
I'm waiting for the day
When I am a soul on fire, Till I am a soul on fire

Refrain

Lord, restore the joy I had I have wandered, bring me back In this darkness, lead me through Until all I see is You

Good Good Father

Oh, I've heard a thousand stories of what they think You're like But I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night And You tell me that You're pleased and that I'm never alone

Refrain: You're a good, good Father It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are And I'm loved by You It's who I am, it's who I am

Oh and I've seen many searching for answers far and wide But I know we're all searching for answers only You provide 'Cause You know just what we need before we say a word

Refrain

Because You are perfect in all of Your ways You are perfect in all of Your ways You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Give Me Jesus

In the Morning, when I rise, In the Morning, when I rise In the morning, when I rise, Give me Jesus

[Chorus] Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus You can have all this world, Just give me Jesus

When I am alone, When I am alone oh, when I am alone, Give me Jesus

Refrain

Lord, let me burn for You again Let me return to You again And Lord, let me burn for You again And let me return to You again

Refrain

God, I'm running for Your heart
I'm running for Your heart
Till I am a soul on fire
I wanna be
Till I am a soul on fire, Till I am a soul on fire

(Ohh) You are perfect in all of Your ways (all of Your ways)
Oh, You're perfect in all of Your ways (Your ways)
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Oh, it's love so undeniable I
I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable I
I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still into love, love
Refrain

[Chorus]

When I come to die, when I come to die oh, when I come to die, Give me Jesus

[Chorus]

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me I once was lost, but now I'm found Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed

My chains are gone, I've been set free My God, my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy reigns Unending love, Amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures

He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures

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The earth shall soon dissolve like snow The sun forbear to shine But God who called me here below Will be forever mine