



# J.J. White Memorial Presbyterian Church

## PROPER 21 • WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

October 1, 2023 • 10:30 AM

### Gathering

#### Welcome and Announcements

Whitney Rawlings

#### Prelude

*Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

arr. Gina Sprunger

#### Introit

*The Family of God*

Bill and Gloria Gaither

#### \*Call to Worship

Praise the Lord who is our provider.

**The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.**

God brought us out of bondage and has made us free.

**The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.**

Glorious are the deeds of our God, and mighty are his acts.

**The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.**

#### \*Hymn No. 694 (vv. 1, 4)

*Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

AUSTRIAN HYMN

#### Call to Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor, trusting in the promise of forgiveness.

#### Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we have been wandering in the wilderness of sin. We have complained in the face of your mercy. We have been selfish and conceited in the face of your sacrifice. We have not done your will.

Teach us humility. Teach us gratitude. Infuse your spirit into our beings so that we might be reconciled to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

### The Word

#### Anthem

*Break Thou the Bread of Life*

arr. Stan Pethel

#### Prayer for Illumination

O God, fill us with your Spirit and humble our hearts so that we can hear your Word. **Amen.**

#### Scripture: Exodus 16:16-31

#### Sermon

*Daily Bread*

the Rev. Chris Richardson

#### \*Affirmation of Faith

*The Apostles' Creed*

Hymnal, p. 14

#### \*Hymn No. 805 (Gloria Patri)

*Glory Be to the Father*

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#### \*Hymn No. 115

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

CRUSADER'S HYMN

#### †The Sacrament of Holy Communion

*Communion Insert*

#### Invitation to the Offering

The works of the Lord are wondrous indeed. Let us offer back to God a portion of what has been given to us, for the glory of God's name.

#### Offertory

*O How He Loves You and Me*

arr. Gina Sprunger

#### \*Hymn No. 809 (Doxology)

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings*

OLD HUNDREDTH

#### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God, use these gifts to do your will in the world and prepare us for your coming kingdom. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

#### Prayers of the People

#### \*Hymn No. 745 (vv. 1, 3, 5)

*Jesus Shall Reign*

DUKE STREET

### Sending

#### Charge and Blessing

Beloved, let this mind be in you that was also in Christ Jesus. Love the Lord and serve others for the glory of God.

May the God who is always near bless and keep you on your journey. Glory, honor, and praise be to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now and always. Amen.

#### Postlude

*Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

arr. Cindy Berry

\*Please stand as you are able

†Gluten-free communion bread available

### Announcements

Record from Last Sunday

Attendance • 44

Offering • \$2,072

## This Week at J.J. White Memorial Presbyterian

Monday	5:30 PM	Pastor Nominating Committee
Tuesday	3:00-6:00 PM	AED demonstrations starting at 3:00, 4:00, and 5:00
	5:00 PM	Choir rehearsal
Wednesday	7:15 AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
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## Upcoming Events

Sunday, 10/8	Led by the Rev. Chris Richardson; <b>Session</b> meeting	<i>Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20</i>
Tuesday, 10/10	Women's Bible Study (PW), <i>Sacred Encounters</i> , lesson 3	
Sunday, 10/15	Led by the Rev. Chris Richardson	<i>Exodus 32:1-14</i>
Sunday, 10/22	Led by the Rev. Chris Richardson	<i>Exodus 33:12-23</i>
Wednesday, 10/25	October birthday celebration	
Sunday, 10/29	Led by the Rev. Chris Richardson; <b>MICA</b> collection	<i>Deuteronomy 34:1-12</i>

## Welcome to Worship!

*All* who worship here are joyfully welcomed into our midst! To visitors, we offer a special hand of fellowship and invite you to join us again soon; please fill out the blue card in your pew and place in the offering plate.

## Welcome to the Reverend Chris Richardson

Rev. Chris Richardson works part-time as a chaplain for Hospice Ministries and is an elder in full connection in the United Methodist Church. A graduate of Duke Divinity School, Chris has lived in Pike County since marrying husband Kevin in 2004. They have three children: Colin, Brooke, and Emma.

## New Member

We heartily welcome new member **Brad Woods!**

## AED Demonstrations

You're invited to a free automated external defibrillator (AED) demonstration at the church, given by Dr. Robbie DeCoux and Bonnie Hudon on October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. Demonstrations will begin at 3:00, 4:00, and 5:00 PM, each lasting 30-45 minutes; you only need to attend one session. Please call Stephanie in the church office to sign up for a date and time; no one will be turned away. (You'll get a reminder the evening before your scheduled time.) All are encouraged to attend, particularly the youth. If you have any questions, please call Bonnie Hudon at (601) 810-7100.

## Vision 2023 (adopted by Session on December 11, 2022)

***Believe in Me and grow our church together in 2023.*** In 2023, we shall regularly reach out to inactive members, encouraging them to renew participation in the life of JJWMP. We shall also increase visibility through social media and community involvement that encourages others to join our membership. This will include promotion of church facilities as a destination for appropriate community events, with special emphasis on attracting young adults and youth. In doing so, we shall be widely recognized as a vibrant, welcoming church family that loves the Lord and one another. These initiatives will serve to grow membership and double attendance by year end, 2023.

## Reminder of God's Call to Stewardship

***When you have finished setting aside a tenth of all your produce ... you shall give it to the Levite, the foreigner, the fatherless and the widow, so that they may eat in your towns and be satisfied (Deuteronomy 26:12).*** Please speak with Dennis Ross, 2023 Stewardship chairman, with any questions about your tithes or offerings.

## Session

Watkins "Noggin" Wild, Clerk of Session • Wayne Hutchison, Treasurer		
<b>Class of 2023</b>	<b>Class of 2024</b>	<b>Class of 2025</b>
Dennis Ross	Melisa DeCoux	Tommy Brock
Randy White	Suzi Drummond	Linda Miller
Rusty Whittington	Whitney Rawlings	Noggin Wild

## Sanctuary Flowers

Today's sanctuary flowers are provided by Linda Miller in honor of the MICA family of volunteers.

## Lectionary Readings and Questions for Reflection

The complete list of this week's scripture readings includes Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16; Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32. What does it mean to do the will of God? Has God ever shown up in the middle of your complaining? When have you been wandering in a "wilderness of sin"? How can you build relationships with other Christians – particularly those in other denominational or non-denominational traditions – based on your own "wilderness" experiences?

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