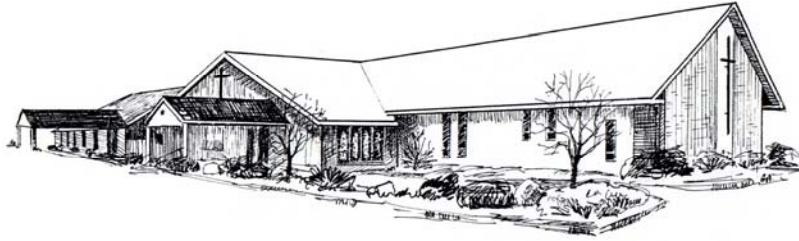


Wesley United Methodist Church



2200 16th Avenue, Sterling, IL

September 27, 2020

ENTRANCE

"Solemn Meditation"

by Grant Foster

"Open My Eyes"

by Clara H. Scott/arr. Paul Taylor

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

from Schesische Volkslieder/James Mansfield

PRELUDE

INTROIT

"Open Our Eyes"

by Bob Cull

† OPENING PRAYER (Habakkuk 1, Luke 19)

Dear God, we humbly come close to you, hoping we get refreshed in our spirit and empowered by your Spirit. As we encounter Christ in our worship this hour, may our lives be transformed; may we leave this place eager to share your blessings, your justice, and your love with a world yearning for a new way of living by your will. Amen.

† OPENING HYMN

"Amazing Grace"

#378 vs. 1,2,4

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYERS

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.

† RESPONSE

"Glory Be to the Father"

#70

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

HYMN "Surely the Presence" #328

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 51:1-3, 10-12

This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Orientation, Disorientation, and Reorientation."

THANKSGIVING

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

RESPONSE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES

OFFERTORY

† **DOXOLOGY** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #95

† **PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Luke 19)**

God of amazing grace, you have given us everything, including our very lives. Though we cannot earn your love, you give it to us freely. We thank you, God. Receive our gifts, as expressions of our thanksgiving and praise, and our commitment to live as you intend. In Jesus' name, who offers salvation, we pray. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

† **CLOSING HYMN** "Take My Life and Let It Be" #399 v. 1

† **BENEDICTION**

† **RECESSIONAL** "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" #664 v.1

POSTLUDE "I Love to Tell the Story"
by William G. Fischer

****Flowers on the altar are given in Honor of Janet Palmer's 90th Birthday
by Rick and Karen Palmer & Family****