

January 21, 2024

Believing Beyond Barriers

**5 Ways that Religion Can Bring
People Together Today**



11:00 AM

 **MISSOURI**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*We exist to connect all people with Jesus Christ.
We do this by welcoming enthusiastically, growing deeply and serving courageously.*

🌀 Welcome 🌀

*Children of all ages and their rustling are welcome in worship,
with special activity packets available at all entrances for younger children.
Nursery care and Children's Sunday School are located in Whittler Treehouse.*

PRELUDE "Variations on a Medieval Theme and Canzona" (Peter Schickele) Craig Datz

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastors Daniel & Jewell

+CALL TO WORSHIP Ester Mendoza

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart in the company of the upright in the congregation.

Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

The works of God's hands are faithful and just; all God's precepts are trustworthy.

They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

God's works extend to you and me and the whole community as the Spirit nurtures gifts and graces in each of us.

Great are the works of the Lord, whose love and grace endures forever!

God raises up some to be prophets to help us follow God's voice, yet all are called to lead by following.

We affirm the gifts of those who are called to be truth-tellers in our midst, helping us all to answer the call to be truth-doers. Great are the works of the Lord! Amen.

+OPENING HYMN UMH 529 "How Firm a Foundation"

INVOCATION

Still-Speaking God, you sow new seeds in our word and call us to harvest them when the time is right. You fill our world with new melodies and ask us to sing them to change the air around us. You call us to use new wineskins for our wine. You ask us to try new delicacies, travel to new lands, and listen to the stories of our new neighbors. Let us embrace the Spirit of newness surrounding us, listening to your transforming call in our lives. Amen.

ANTHEM "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" (arr. Bairstow)

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 10:9-17 & 28 (NRSVue)

Holy Spirit, as we have read this Scripture in our community,
humbly interpreting through Reason, varied Experience and Tradition,
bless our hearing and understanding.

May our listening be done with love.

MESSAGE “Believing Beyond Barriers: Trusting a Bigger God”

Pastor Daniel

TIME OF PRAYER

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.**

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Interlude on *Beatrice*” (Camil van Hulse)

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+DOXOLOGY UMH 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!**

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+CLOSING HYMN UMH 337 “Only Trust Him”

+INVITATION AND BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE “Ceremonial March” (Peter Schickele)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Festival of Sharing - Backpacks of Love & Prison Packs | January

Support someone in need. Send a pack of children's underwear with your child to Sunday school to give to the FOS Backpacks of Love or drop \$10 into the offering to support FOS Prison Packs (memo as "FOS Prison Pack"). May we be blessed in our giving to these great causes!

Weather Related Closures @ MUMC

If extreme weather causes a closure of CPS (Columbia Public Schools), then MUMC offices to be closed as well. If we do close, we will send an email announcement to all subscribers of the Messenger newsletter. Contact liz@moumc.org to add your name.

Next Gen Ministry dinners | YOUR Help Needed!

Could you help provide a meal for Sunday Youth group in the coming months? Drop-off and go, or stay and eat with us. Thanks for supporting our Youth! Contact liz@moumc.org to indicate the night you would like to host.

Shelby Ringdahl in Concert | February 3rd @ 7 PM

The MUMC Concert Series is very proud to present Columbia's own, *Shelby Ringdahl: From Missouri to Manhattan*. \$5 students and \$10 adults - moumc.org/concert-series

Ash Wednesday | February 14th @ 5:30 PM

Join us for a pancake dinner at 5:30 PM followed by a service at 7 PM.

For this week's event calendar, visit moumc.org/calendar.

Submit your connect card and share prayer concerns at moumc.org/comm-card.

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