

So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

2 Corinthians 5:17

November 12, 2023 11:00 AM

MISSOURI

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 "Song of Autumn" (T. Frederick H. Candlyn)

Craig Datz

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastors Daniel & Jewell

+CALL TO WORSHIP

David Russell

At the start of this day we gather to worship God;

as our journey continues we give thanks for the road already traveled and the newly opened door.

We offer to God our tiredness and our expectancy; we rejoice in a God who welcomes us just as we are.

Here and now we might entertain angels unaware;

here and now we can meet Christ in one another.

+OPENING HYMN UMH 694 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

+UNISON PRAYER

God, in whose heart is love and justice, show us this day whom we must love, and what we should challenge or change, in order that your will for the earth might be done.

Increase our hope, dispel our apathy; inspire our imagination, and deepen our commitment, until we become the signs of your kingdom for which we and others pray. In the name of Christ, Amen.

ANTHEM "What a Friend" (Mary McDonald)

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 13:24-30 (NRSV)

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.

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 "Arioso" (Benedetto Marcello)

To e-give, text "MOUMC" to 73256 or give online using the QR code below.

+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!

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+CLOSING HYMN UMH 144 "This Is My Father's World"

+INVITATION & BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE "Postludium" (Gordon Young)







ANNOUNCEMENTS

VAC Holiday Family Sponsorship Sign-Up | October 29 - November 12

An opportunity to select a family for the Voluntary Action Center Holiday Program will be in the Connector between church services. Your support enables the most vulnerable to experience the joy surrounding this holiday season.

Free Blood Pressure Screenings | December 3, Between Services

If you missed it today, Greg Thackery will offer another free blood pressure screenings on December 3 in the Connector between services.

New Member Sunday | November 19, All Services

Join us for worship on November 19 to celebrate new members joining the church! Members will be celebrated at all three services.

Hanging of the Greens Potluck & Services| November 26, 6 PM & 7PM

Our annual Hanging of the Greens will be on Noveber 26th. Join us in Whittler Hall for a true potluck dinner at 6 PM with services to follow at 7 PM. We will pray together and decorate the church for Advent and Christmas!

Serve on Christmas Eve | December 24

Chrsitmas Eve is a Sunday this year so we will have five services: 10:30 AM, 5 PM, 7 PM, 9 PM, and 11 PM. As we open our doors to the community and church for this holy day, we need hopsitality and nursery volunteers for all of the services. Please contact the church office or hospitality team if you are interested in volunteering. More info to come!

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

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

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