RE-CREATION: EACH ONE MADE NEW, AGAIN!

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

Consecration Sunday

November 26, 2023 11:00 AM



We exist to connect all people with Jesus Christ.

We do this by welcoming enthusiastically, growing deeply and serving courageously.

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 "We're Marching to Zion" (arr. Kenneth D. Varner)

Craig Datz

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastors Daniel & Jewell

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Randa Rawlins

We are called into worship and consecration. We hear God's call to generous giving through scripture:

Just as you excel in everything—In faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love—see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

If the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have.

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.

Each one should give what they have decided in their how to give, not reluctantly of under compulsion, **for God loves a cheerful giver.**

Thanks be to God for God's indescribable Gift!

+OPENING HYMN UMH 139 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

ANTHEM "A Song of Thanksgiving" (John Ferguson)

Chancel Choir

GIVING TESTIMONY VIDEO

The McManus Family

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 9:10-19

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 "Practicing Gratefulness"

Pastor Daniel

CONSECRATION 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 "Simple Gifts" (arr. Virgil Fox)

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! ALLELUIA!

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+CLOSING HYMN UMH 587 "Bless Thou the Gifts""

+INVITATION & BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE "Rejoice, the Lord is King" (Michael Higgins)







ANNOUNCEMENTS

Angel Tree Sign-Up | November 19 & 26

Stop by the table in the Connector and collect an angel!

Hanging of the Greens Potluck & Services | Tonight, 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!

Pecans Have Arrived! | November 26 & December 3, 8:45 AM - 12:15 PM

Pick up your pecan pre-orders from the Searcy-Feely Circle in The Connector between services. The pecan pieces arrived this week. They also have extra pecans for sale!

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!

Needed: Sunday School and Nursery Volunteers

We need Sunday School teachers and nursery volunteers. Contact Christina Fletcher if you are interested in helping out.

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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