

# JUST *breathe*

And God breathed into humankind, and they became living beings. Genesis 2:7

December 31, 2023

10:30 AM



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 our worship services  
Activity packets are available at all entrances for younger children.  
Nursery care is available in Whittler Treehouse during this service.*

### PRELUDE

Rev. Bruce Jeffries

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### +INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Cynthia & Bill Arendt

Breathe in the love of God,  
**Breathe out and share it with the world.**

Breathe in the peace of God,  
**Breathe out and share it with the world.**

Breathe in the life of God,  
**Breathe out and share it with the world.**

Breathe in all that is of God,  
**Breathe out and share it with the world.**

**+OPENING HYMN UMH 420** “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

#### +COMMUNITY GREETING

#### 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

### TIME OF OFFERING

*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

#### SCRIPTURE READING 2 Timothy 3:14-17 (The Message Bible)

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 "Just Breathe"

Pastor Amy

#### SPECIAL MUSIC "Breath of Heaven"

#### +CLOSING HYMN "Kum Ba Ya"

### +INVITATION & BENEDICTION

Inhale: God blew into us the breath of life

Exhale: And we became living beings.

Inhale: I am fully alive in Christ.

Exhale: God's Breath lives in me today!

### +POSTLUDE

Acknowledgements:

Benediction: Breath Prayer from Genesis 2:7

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**Volunteers Needed!**

Room at the Inn is now going to be open year round and MUMC is seeking 10-12 people to volunteer at RATI on the second Monday of every month, starting January 8th.



**Dinner Club Signups**

A NEW SESSION OF DINNER CLUB WILL BEGIN SOON!

JOIN THIS FUN WAY TO GET TO KNOW OTHER ADULT MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY. SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER. REGISTRATION CLOSSES MONDAY, JANUARY 8.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MUMC Offices Closed | Monday, January 1, 2024**

**Room at the Inn (RATI) | Second Mondays monthly**

Room at the Inn will now be open year round! MUMC is looking for 10-12 volunteers for the second Monday of each month. You may sign up to volunteer at this website [roomattheinncomo.org/](http://roomattheinncomo.org/) RATI is located at 1509 Ashely St. in Columbia.

**Believing Beyond Barriers Sermon Series | Starting January 14, 2024**

Join us for worship in January for our new sermon series “Believing Beyond Barriers: 5 Ways that Religion Can Bring People Together Today.” We would love to see you in the new year.

**Galatians Study | Thursdays @ 6:30 PM**

Tim Carson is facilitating a new book study on Galatians. This 10-week course, starting on January 18, is written by N.T Wright and promises to spark some great conversations. Copies of the book are available in the office.

*For this week's event calendar, visit [moumc.org/calendar](http://moumc.org/calendar).*

*Submit your connect card and share prayer concerns at [moumc.org/comm-card](http://moumc.org/comm-card).*

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