

January 14, 2024

# Believing Beyond Barriers

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



**9:30 AM**



**THE CITY**



*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.  
Nursery care is available in Whittler Treehouse during this service.  
Children's Sunday School is available at 11:00 AM in Whittler Treehouse.*

**PRELUDE** “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” (Van Dyke, Beethoven, Hodges) City Band

**WELCOME** Pastors Daniel & Jewell

### **OPENING WORDS**

The voice of God calls to us! Are you listening?

**Speak, Lord, your servants are listening.**

The hands of God beckon us! Are you paying attention?

**Show us, Lord, your servants are paying attention.**

The love of God asks us—are you ready to follow?

**Guide us, Lord, and we, your servants, will follow.**

Come, let us worship the God whose tenacious love never stops calling and beckoning and asking us to follow.

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

### **OPENING MUSIC**

- “Pride (In The Name of Love)” (U2)
- “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” (Van Dyke, Beethoven, Hodges)

### **COMMUNITY GREETING**

**CITY SINGERS** “Lord, Make Me an Instrumental of Thy Peace” (John Rutter)

## TIME OF PRAYER

### 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.**

### SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 40:3-8 (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** “Working Together for a Better World”

Pastor Daniel

**SONG OF RESPONSE** “Lift Every Voice and Sing” (Johnson and Johnson)

**LITANY** For the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

*Please see slides*

### COMMUNION

*Communion is open to all and children of any age are welcome to help serve communion in The City. Come on up if you're interested in volunteering!*

**COMMUNION MUSIC** “At This Table” (Myrin, Menzel)

### TIME OF OFFERING

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

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** “Lift Every Voice and Sing” (Johnson and Johnson)

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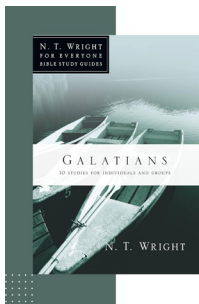
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## Galatians Study

- **Thursdays at 6:30**
- **Starts January 18**
- **Ten Week Course**
- **Book \$10**  
*Available in Office*



Tim Carson,  
facilitator

This week's  
Ministry  
Spotlight  
shines on  
MUMC's  
Mercy and  
Justice  
Team



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Church Closed for MLK Holiday | Monday, January 15**

### Mercy and Justice | Ministry Spotlight

MUMC's Mercy and Justice ministry team will be in the Connector between services to share details about some of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday events in Columbia.

### 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. RATI is located at 1509 Ashely St. in Columbia. You may sign up to volunteer at [roomattheinncomo.org/](http://roomattheinncomo.org/)

### Next Steps Lunch | January 28, 12:30-1:30

If you are new to MUMC, please join us for a free lunch and conversation in the Parlor to learn more about our church. We will also discuss membership for those interested. For registration or more information, please contact the church, (573) 443-3111

### Next Gen Ministry dinners | YOUR Help Needed!

Could you help provide a meal for Sunday Youth group?  
Drop-off and go or stay and eat with us. Scan the code and pick a night!

Our college ministry is still looking for a volunteer to provide dinner on Wednesday, January 17th. Contact the church office if you are able to help.



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).

## CONNECT WITH US!

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