

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Four Oaks United Methodist Church
"Sharing in God's Grace" – Philippians 1:7

September 17, 2023 11am

(Large-print bibles/hymnals are available; an usher can help you with these items. We also have gifts for our guests.)

Gathering

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord; call on God's name!

All: We praise you, O God, and tell of your mercy each day!

Leader: Sing to the Lord, sing praises to God!

All: Let our lives be a song of praise to God almighty!

Opening Hymn: #327 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, in a world of change you placed eternity in our hearts and gave us power to discern good from evil. Grant us sincerity, that we may persistently seek the things that endure, refusing those which perish, and that, amid things vanishing and deceptive, we may see the truth steadily, follow the light faithfully, and grow in that love which is the life of all people; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

New Testament Lesson

Romans 14:1-12

Children's Sermon

Proclamation of the Word

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 18:21-35

Sermon

"Forgiving Like Jesus"

Rev. Adam Charville

Response to the Word

The Apostles' Creed

Hymnal #881

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Offertory

Doxology, Hymn No. 94 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Sending Forth

Closing Hymn: #389

"Freely, Freely"

Benediction

The End of Worship

The Beginning of Service

Assisting in Worship

Usher:

Gary Dunn

Greeter:

Kay Dunn

Children's Church:

Debbie

Nursery:

Betsy & Kandis

Nursery Next Sunday (9/24):

Ashley & Susan V.

Sound/Video:

Keith Beamon, Gordon & Elliot Isaacs,
Emily Kirsch, Nick Kirsch,
Dodd Matthews

Last Week's Attendance: Sunday School: 22

Worship: 62 (In-Person), 40 (Online)

Last Week's Offering: General Fund: \$2,692.21 (*\$4,000 needed each week*)

Book/Bake Sale: \$3,288.50

Cares of the Congregation

Diane & Jack Austin, Scott Barnes, Cindy Beamon, Gertrud Beaver, Cheryl & Bill Brent, Albert Brewer, Albert Buck, Shelby Cox, Lois Creech, Carmen Dunn, Linda Farmer, Ben Franklin, Dexter Henry, Sharon Hernandez, Danny Hodges, Al Holcutt, Sandra Honeycutt, Eric Hudson & Family, Nicholas Hurley, Jenny Johnson, Mandy Mickley, Chloe McLamb, Kristie O'Neal, Anita Owens, Tonya Parker, Judy Shaw, Barbara Stephenson, Tom Welch, Ashley Wilson & Family

Nursing & Rest Home Care

Hilda Dunn (Liberty Commons), Mike Wagon (McLamb's)

Opportunities This Week

Today: 9:30am, Holy Grounds Fellowship
11am, Worship
12pm, UWF Meeting (Lunch Provided)
5pm, Youth Group
6pm, Family Council Meeting

Wednesday: 6:15pm, Body and Soul Café

Next Sunday: 9:30am, Holy Grounds Fellowship
9:45am, Sunday School (*Classes for all ages*)
11am, Worship
5pm, Youth Group

Announcements & Upcoming Events

- **Body and Soul Café:** Our Body and Soul Café starts back for the Fall on Wednesday, 20 September at 6:15! We will share a great meal together followed by fellowship and study. There will also be Jesus And Me (JAM) for our children and youth activities.
- **Children's Ministry Gathering:** Pajama party at church! September 30 from 10am-noon. Bring a children's book from home to place in the Free Little Library.
- **Church Landscape Workday:** All are welcome to help work on the church grounds for Fall cleanup! September 30, 8am-10am. All are welcome!!
- **Christmas Community Drive-Thru:** Item of the month for September: Treet Meat. Please drop them off in the narthex collection box.
- **Welcome Cards/Pastoral Care Needs:** Are you new to FOUMC or want to be part of our weekly emails? Would you like a visit or conversation with Pastor Adam? Please fill out our new cards available on each pew or on the table in the balcony and place them in the offering plate.