

Cross Lanes United Methodist Church

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 17, 2025



Gathering and Prelude

Opening Hymn

Build Your Kingdom Here

Verse 1

Come set Your rule and reign In our hearts again
Increase in us we pray Unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope Like wildfire
in our very souls Holy Spirit come invade us now
We are Your church We need Your pow'r in us

Verse 2

We seek Your kingdom first We hunger and we
thirst Refuse to waste our lives For You're our joy
and prize To see the captives' hearts released The
hurt the sick the poor at peace We lay down our
lives for heaven's cause We are Your church We
pray revive this earth

Verse 3

Unleash Your kingdom's pow'r Reaching the near
and far No force of hell can stop Your beauty
changing hearts You made us for much more than
this Awake the kingdom seed in us Fill us with the
strength and love of Christ We are Your church We
are the hope on earth

Chorus

Build Your kingdom here Let the darkness
fear Show Your mighty hand Heal our streets
and land Set Your church on fire Win this
nation back Change the atmosphere Build
Your kingdom here we pray

Call to Worship

*Leader: By faith, the people passed through the sea. By faith, the walls of Jericho fell.
By faith, we run with perseverance the race set before us.*

People: We fix our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

*Leader: Let us worship the God who leads us through trials, strengthens us in weakness,
and calls us to endure.*

People: We come to worship God today, that we might put our faith in action.

Word for Children

Hymn	Guide My Feet	TFWS 2208
Verse 1	Verse 2	Verse 3
Guide my feet Lord while I run this race For I don't want to run this race in vain	Hold my hand Lord while I run this race For I don't want to run this race in vain	Search my heart Lord while I run this race For I don't want to run this race in vain

Epistle Lesson

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

NRSV

²⁹ By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³² And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵ Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶ Others suffered mocking and flogging and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were stoned to death; they were sawn in two; they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—³⁸ of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹ Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰ since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

12 Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Anthem

Soul on Fire

Gospel Lesson

Luke 12: 49-56

NRSV

⁴⁹ “I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵² From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³ they will be divided:

father against son and son against father,
mother against daughter and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

⁵⁴ He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain,’ and so it happens. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat,’ and it happens. ⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

Message

“It’s Gonna Rain”

Rev. Moll

Response to the Word

The Apostles Creed

UMH 881

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.**

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The 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,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Mission And Ministry Moment

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

***Doxology:**

**Praise the Father, Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit now with us
Every moment, all our days
God be praised, oh God be praised**

*** Closing Chorus**

Soon and Very Soon

UMH 706

Verse 1	Chorus Hallelujah hallelujah We're going to see the King
Soon and very soon We are going to see the King Soon and very soon We are going to see the King Soon and very soon We are going to see the King	
Verse 2	
No more crying there We are going to see the King No more crying there We are going to see the King No more crying there We are going to see the King	
Verse 3	
No more dying there We are going to see the King No more dying there We are going to see the King No more dying there We are going to see the King	

*** Dismissal with Blessing**

<p><u>Scriptures for Study:</u></p> <p>Jeremiah 1:4-10</p> <p>Psalm 71:1-6</p> <p>Hebrews 12:18-29</p> <p>Luke 13:10-17</p>	<p>This Week at CLUMC</p> <p><u>Monday 8/18:</u> Senior Exercise 9a, FH; SPRC Mtg 6:30p</p> <p><u>Tuesday 8/19:</u> Bible Study noon; Prayer Shawl 1p; Basket Weavers 5p</p> <p>Choir/Worship Band Practice</p> <p><u>Wednesday 8/20:</u> Senior Exercise 9a, FH</p> <p><u>Thursday 8/21:</u> Pickle Ball 6-8 open to public; Narcotics Anonymous 7:30-8:30</p> <p><u>Friday 8/22:</u> Senior Exercise 9a, FH</p> <p><u>Sunday 8/24:</u> UMW Craft Day</p>
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