

August 24, 2025: 11th Sunday after Pentecost

~~ *GATHERING BEFORE GOD* ~~

**GREETINGS ~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ JOYS
~ CONCERNS ~ GOD MOMENTS ~**

✠ **HYMN** “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me” UMH #361
The Light of Christ Enters

OPENING PRAYER (unison)

Almighty God who cannot be shaken,

Open our ears to Your word,

awaken our hearts to Your love, and

renew our spirits in Your presence,

That we may more fully put our trust in You and live as
the loving, nurturing community You desire. Amen.

~~ *PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD* ~~

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Jeremiah 1:4-10

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm Psalm 71:1-6 UMH #794

CHORAL HYMN “Since Jesus Came into My Heart”
TFWS #2140

EPISTLE LESSON: Hebrews 12:18-29

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 13:10-17

CHILDREN'S TIME

✠ **HYMN** “Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands” UMH #273

MESSAGE “Cannot Be Shaken”

~~ *RESPONDING IN THE SPIRIT* ~~

**A STATEMENT OF FAITH OF THE KOREAN METHODIST
CHURCH** UMH #884

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

✠ **Doxology** UMH #95

OFFERTORY / PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH #895

“The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.” James 5:16

~~ SENDING FORTH ~~
The Light of Christ Leads Us into the World

† HYMN “My Hope Is Built”

UMH #368

BENEDICTION

† Postlude “Through It All”

UMH #507

† *Standing as you are able to the glory of God*

Scriptures for August 31 (12th Sunday after Pentecost):

Jeremiah 2:4-13; Psalm 81:1, 10-16; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16;
Luke 14:1, 7-14

Thank you for joining us for worship.

~~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~~

TODAY:

9:00 am Worship – Georgetown UMC
10:30 am Worship – South Otselic UMC
11:45(ish) South Otselic UMC Administrative Board

WEEKLY / BIWEEKLY / MONTHLY:

- † **Pastor in the office** – Wed 11 am to 2 pm, Thurs 1-4 pm
- † **Youth Group** – 2nd & 3rd Sunday, noon to 2 pm, So.Ot.
- † **Administrative Board** – Georgetown, 3rd Sunday 8:15 am;
South Otselic, 4th Sunday 11:45(ish) am
- † **Food Pantry** – 3rd Thursday each month 3-6 pm
Special requests call Kevin Grewe 607-337-8941
- † **Sunshine Shop** Thu 10-4; Fri 11-5; Sat 9-noon
– Next open Sep 4-6, Sep 18-20
– For emergency clothing, call 315-653-7490.
- † **60+ dinners** – biweekly, South Otselic UMC, 5 pm;
upcoming Sep 5, Sep 19, Oct 3, Oct 17, Nov 7, Nov 21

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- † Take church to David Wentworth – Sep 7, 11 am

PRAYER LIST:(Short Term):

From 8/17 – Give God thanks!

From 8/10 – Janice Trass & Eric Bowers, Anne Crossway, Matt Sheldon, Mike Sheldon, Travis Sheldon

From 8/3 – family of Julia White, Middle East, VBS

From 7/27 – Nikko Baker, Rick Benson, Paul Carson, Pete Kalin, Christopher Newton, Heidi Newton, Madeline Newton, Justin Sheldon, VBS

(Long Term): Jonna Bartlett, David Boyer, Richard Bishop, Paul Carson, Margaret Chase, Ron Colasudo, Kaity Davis, Doug (& Kathe) Evans, Linda Excell, Ted Gargas, Roger Hakes, Chuck Hathaway, Patti Lamandia, Diane MacGregor, Cassandra & Christopher Marquard, Chris Marquard, Maverick Mesko, Aaron Miller, Phil Mudge, Mitch Mullenax, Jenny Naber, Elaine Perkins, John & Carole Roalef, Kate Robinson, Matt & Annette Sheldon, Cathy Silver, Normajean Stark, Kenneth Sullivan, Angela (Graves) Szlamczynski, David Wentworth

Travel mercies for family and friends

Our men and women in the military

World leaders, our country, & the need for peace

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS:

August: 26-Lydia Newton; 29-Jaclyn Hakes;
31-Chuck Hathaway

September: 6-Suki Fox; 8-Wenda West; 20-Cal Hite;
24-Elva White; 25-Gloria Dubois, Heidi Newton

*Happy
Summer!*



Psalm 71:1-6

(UMH #794)

- ¹ In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.
- ² **In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me.**
- ³ Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.
- ⁴ **Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.**
- ⁵ For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth.
- ⁶ **Upon you I have leaned from my birth; it was you who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.**

Jeremiah 1:4-10

(NRSV)

⁴ Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,

⁵ "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

⁶ Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy."

⁷ But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you."

⁸ Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord."

⁹ Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth."

¹⁰ See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Hebrews 12:18-29

(NRSV)

¹⁸ You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest,

¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them.

²⁰ (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.")

²¹ Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.")

²² But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering,

²³ and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect,

²⁴ and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

²⁵ See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven!

²⁶ At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven."

²⁷ This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken--that is, created things--so that what cannot be shaken may remain.

²⁸ Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe;

²⁹ for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Luke 13:10-17

(NRSV)

¹⁰ Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath.

¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight.

¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment."

¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God.

¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day."

¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water?"

¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?"

¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.