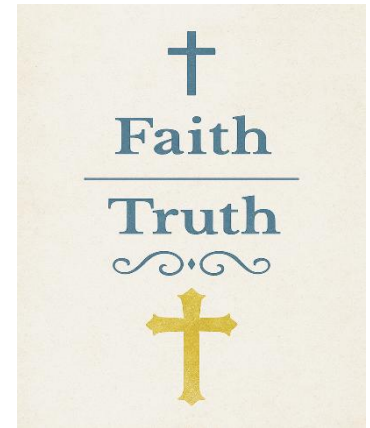


Cross Lanes United Methodist Church

15th Sunday After Pentecost

September 21, 2025



Gathering and Prelude

Opening Hymn

King of Love

Verse 1

The King of Love my Shepherd is Whose goodness
faileth never I nothing lack if I am His And He is mine
forever And He is mine forever

Verse 2

Where streams of living water flow My ransomed soul
He leadeth And where the verdant pastures grow With
food celestial feedeth

Verse 3

Lost and foolish off I strayed But yet in love He sought
me And on His shoulder gently laid And home
rejoicing brought me

Verse 4

In death's dark veil I fear no ill With Thee dear Lord
beside me Thy rod and staff my comfort still Thy cross
before to guide me

Bridge

Oh Hallelujah Hallelujah Oh Hallelujah Hallelujah

Verse 5

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness
faileth never Good Shepherd may I sing Your praise
Within Your house forever Within Your house forever

Chorus

Never failing Ruler of my heart Everlasting
Lover of my soul On the mountain high or in the
valley low The King of Love my Shepherd is
The King of Love my Shepherd is

Call to Worship

Leader: We come today with hearts open to God's presence.

All: We come in faith, trusting the One who is faithful.

Leader: In a world full of noise and confusion—

All: We seek the truth in Christ that sets us free.

Leader: Christ calls us to live with courage and conviction.

All: We respond with lives shaped by grace and guided by truth.

Leader: Let us worship the God who is faithful and true.

All: With joy and hope, we lift our voices in praise!

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Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.
Emmanuel, God is with us.
Blessed Redeemer, Living word.**

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Word for Children**Epistle Lesson****1 Timothy 2:1-7****NRSV**

² First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³ This is right and acceptable before God our Savior, ⁴ who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵ For

there is one God;
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,
⁶who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. ⁷ For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth: I am not lying), a teacher of the gentiles in faith and truth

Anthem**Hard Fought Hallelujah****Gospel Lesson****Luke 16: 1-13****NRSV**

16 Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ² So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ ³ Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴ I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ ⁵ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶ He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ ⁷ Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ ⁸ And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly, for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰ “Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much, and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹ If, then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³ No slave can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

Message

“Faith and Truth”

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**

Come We That Love the Lord

UMH 733

1. Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known; join in a song with sweet accord, join in a song with sweet accord and thus surround the throne, and thus surround the throne.	<p>Refrain: We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion; we're marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.</p>
2. Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God; but children of the heavenly King, but children of the heavenly King may speak their joys abroad, may speak their joys abroad	
3. The hill of Zion yields a thousand sacred sweets before we reach the heavenly fields, before we reach the heavenly fields, or walk the golden streets, or walk the golden streets.	
4. Then let our songs abound, and every tear be dry; we're marching through Emmanuel's ground, we're marching through Emmanuel's ground, to fairer worlds on high, to fairer worlds on high.	

*** Dismissal with Blessing**

<u>Scriptures for Study:</u> Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 Psalm 79:1-9 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 16: 1-13	<p>This Week at CLUMC</p> <p><u>Monday 9/22:</u> Senior Exercise 9a,</p> <p><u>Tuesday 9/23</u> Back Pack Volunteers 10a; Bible Study noon;Basket Weavers 5p; Water Color Class 6-7p; Choir 7p/Worship Band Practice 7:30p</p> <p><u>Wednesday 9/24</u> Senior Exercise 9a, FH God's Kidz 6p, Community Dinner</p> <p><u>Thursday 9/25</u> Pickle Ball 6-8, Gym Narcotics Anonymous 7:30-8:30</p> <p><u>Friday 9/26</u> Senior Exercise 9a</p> <p><u>Saturday 9/27</u> UMM Highway Clean-Up</p>
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