



Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church

A Global Methodist Church



Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

**Our Purpose is to make disciples of Jesus Christ;
Worship Passionately, Love Extravagantly,
Witness Boldly!**

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First Reading—

Genesis 1:28

²⁸ God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

2 Corinthians 9:6-7

⁶ Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. ⁷ Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

1 Peter 4:10

¹⁰ Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

Gospel Reading — Matthew 25:14-21

The Parable of the Bags of Gold

¹⁴ "Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. ¹⁵ To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, ^[a] each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. ¹⁶ The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. ¹⁷ So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. ¹⁸ But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

¹⁹ "After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. ²⁰ The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.'

²¹ "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'

Order of Worship

The Gathering!

Welcome, Announcements & Birthdays

Prelude - Prepare your hearts to worship God.

The Praise!

*Call to Worship (*from Psalm 24*)

Scott Holden

The earth is Lord's and the fullness thereof,

The world and all who dwell there in!

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors!

That the ruler of Glory may come in.

Who is the Ruler of Glory? The Lord, the Almighty!

*Hymn of Praise

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

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Children's Time

Sharing of Community Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Ron McDougald

The Offering!

*The Doxology

The Word!

*Prayer of Illumination: **Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

First Reading- Genesis 1:28; 2 Corinthians 9:6-7; 1 Peter 4:10- Courtney O'Brien

*Hymn of Preparation

"Lord Be Glorified"

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*Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:14-21

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

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Meditation

"Last Words from Jesus— Talents"

Rev. Ron

McDougald

*Closing Hymn

"Give Thanks"

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Sharing Plans for the Future

"Our Vision" - Trustees

"Biblical Generosity" - Dr. Todd Marion

"Why We Give"- Capital Campaign

The Sending Forth!

*Choral Benediction

"Blessed Be the Tie that Binds"

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***all are invited for light refreshments & more conversation
with Dr. Marion in the Fellowship Hall***

*Please stand if you are able.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please mark your attendance in the black fellowship folder at the end of each pew.

October's Communion Offering to Adrienne's House was \$521.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study continues with the *Profoundly Christian, Distinctly Methodist* study at 10:30; this week's questions are 16-19 in the Catechism and pages 37-39 of the book. Videos of this study are available on our YouTube channel.

Men's Christian Fellowship & Breakfast will be this Saturday, Nov. 1st at 8 a.m. at the Fellowship Hall.

New Hymnals have arrived! If you are interested in dedicating a hymnal in memory/ honor of a loved one, please contact Robin Cameron by text 228-217-0856 or email tomrob1@bellsouth.net. A donation of \$20 will go to the new building fund.

The Seashore Missions Meal for November 6th will be provided by Red Hill.

Follow-up with Todd Marion immediately after Worship in the Fellowship Hall; ask your questions, get additional information and enjoy light refreshments. All are encouraged to stay!

Dr. Todd Marion is our special guest today. Todd has served in a financial and stewardship leadership role in the nonprofit and church community for over 25 years. He is committed to helping others fund Kingdom work as God leads his people to continued ministry. Todd is currently the Chief Financial Officer and Associate Director of the Mississippi Methodist Foundation.

Lectionary Readings for November 2nd

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Psalm 119:137-144

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Luke 19:1-10

Prayer List:

Ongoing Concerns:

Cleo Taylor, Mary Ward, Ronnie & Diane Seymour, Billy Robinson, Larry Hall, Woody VanDevender, Phyllis & Clint Gill, Grayson Morse, Donna Wittersheim, Aven & Saylee Bryant, Betty Tootle, Bobby Lenardo, Debbie Harris, David Davidson, Paige & Mark McDougald, Susie Flurry, Karen & Gene VanWinkle, Mae Gamblin, James Ellis Bertucci, Danielle Weitz, Gaynell Hill, Sara Caldwell, Melissa Odell, Jasper Pryor, Emma & Rickey Sharp, John Russell, Andrew Russell, Rosemary Meador, Trooper Tavon Moore, Nancy Riggins, Gwen Ellis, Jason Dewey, Donna Wells, Katherine O'Brien, Diane Upton, Jerry Evans, Martha Richardson, Carl & Liz Wyatt, Teresa Davis, Bruce Nevels, Billy Sanders, Doris Hand, Holly Heppner, Robbie Fant, Jenni Johnson, Matt Mizelle.

Weekly Prayer Requests:

Alicia Green, Hal Galloway, Wanda Hart, Bobby Burrell, Windy Taylor, Deedy Cain, Mary Smith, Ella & Conner, Megan Davis, Tom Cameron, Danny Hunter, August Borden, Scott Edmonson Family, Annaleigh Sykes, Kaleigh Morton, Barbara Scott, Lynn Boedecker, Otis Wyatt, Jimmy Lebatard, Debbie Knowles, Tyler Cobb, Edith Fairley, Danny Hunter, Teresa Busby, Becky Barlow, Hank Jamison, Ed Lessard, Dax Flint, Melissa Warren, Greg Foley, Ricky Barry, Jan Robinson Family, Elias Woodard, Harry Bragg, Mary, Lana, Samaritans' Purse & Christmas Shoeboxes, Melissa Peace, Grayson Colvin & family, Bonnie, Jay Jordan, Tyler Robinson & Family, Jane Givings, Suzanne Fulton, Building Fund, Blue Christmas, all traveling.

Our Nation: Leaders & Country Our Military:

Wesley Savage, Brey Richmond, Jacob Ferrer, Hunter LaVann, Elizabeth Willis, Cody Bean, Clayton Demoran, Justin Shoemake, Chris Phifer, Nate Collins, Joseph Jackson, James Bell, Clay LeBatard, Austin Gill, Logan Grandstaff, Luke Self, Morgan Foster.

Happening this Week

- Ladies Come and Go Prayer Wednesday at 9am.
- Wednesday Morning Bible Study meets at 10:30.
- Wednesday Night Together begins at 5:00 with a potluck dinner at 5:15. Children's Time and Adult Bible Study meet 6:00-7:00.
- No Choir Practice this week.
- Sunday School for adults and children meet every Sunday at 8:15 am and Worship at 9:30 am.
- MCF & breakfast, Saturday, Nov. 1st at 8am.

Coming Soon!

- Charge Conference, Sunday, Nov. 2nd at Caswell Springs.
- WMMC will meet Nov. 10th.
- Sassy Saints will meet at Antonio's in Gautier on Nov. 13th at 11:30.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Luke Galle (19)

Carl Wyatt (21)

Cindy Nelson (22)

Andy Kite (23)

James & Nancy Green (23)

Amanda Caillouette (24)

Judd Furr (25)

Ginnie Sykes (25)

Nancy Green (26)

Nebo & Barbie Carter (28)

Windy Taylor (29)

Rachel Evans (1)

Lynette McDougald (1)