"Growing Within, Reaching Out, Making a Difference"

ANNOUNCEMENTS		
Mon	9/14	Christmas Decoration Making—Sign up in the back 6 until 7:30 or 8:00 pm.
Sat	9/19	Pancake Breakfast 8-10:30 am
Sun	9/20	Leadership Board Meeting 6 pm
Thur	9/24	Deadline for Charge Conference Paperwork



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Reasons to Rejoice: God's grace! Gathering of Clergy

For God's Guidance with these concerns:

Beanie & Evelyn Hayhurst, Jeanette Tingler, Joe Morris & family, Brock Collins, Matt Harper, Firefighters & First Responders, Our Nation, Our Leaders, Discerning Leadership, Victims of Recent Storms, Fires, David Efaw, Jimmy McCullough, Steve & Rhetta Pickens, Unspoken, Kay Young (cousin of Sherri Jett), Combating Illiteracy, Nathan, Savanna, Anton,

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Instrumental Prelude	Carol Ann Hart
Altar Candle Lighting	Margie Tallman
Announcements:	Mabel Henderson
Anniversaries & Birthday	
Joys & Concerns	

Opening Prayer: Liberating God, we worship you. We praise you for delivering your people of old from Egypt and opening up an unexpected future before them. You showed profound compassion for the weak and powerless.
We adore you for opening up that same new future for us through Jesus Christ, who freed us from sin when love defeated evil once and for all. May our worship be a true offering of wonder and profound gratitude for your faithful, deep care. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Hymn "Grace Greater than Our Sin" No. 365

Call to Worship

L: We live in a world where sin divides us and makes us enemies instead of neighbors.
P: Lord, remind us that we are a people of grace called to heal the rifts between us.
L: The divisions seem too heavy to overcome, and we wonder if forgiveness still works today.
P: Christ, meet us in our doubt and renew our strength on the journey.
L: We are tempted by quick solutions, reluctant to do the slow work of reconciliation.
P: Holy Spirit, form us today to forgive and repair what is broken and to do so using the example of grace you have provided. Amen.

Reading of Scripture *Mabel Henderson*
OT *Exodus 14:19-31* **NT** *Matthew 18:21-35*

Sermon **Pastor Anna**

Hymn of Response "Softly and Tenderly…" No. 348

***Mail-in,* Tithes & Offerings** *Passing of the Plate*
Offertory, Doxology, Prayer

Closing Hymn "Victory in Jesus" No. 370

Benediction: Followers of Christ, go now in the blessing and assurance that you are a forgiven people empowered by grace to forgive and heal the divisions that keep us from truly loving God, self, neighbor, and all creation with the fullness of our beings. Amen.

Postlude/Cares Chorus
I cast all my cares upon You. I lay all of my burdens down at Your feet. And anytime I don't know what to do, I will cast all my cares upon You. X2

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brothers and sisters to dwell together in unity!" Psalm 133:1