

ST. JOHN'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
"Bringing People to Christ and Christ to People"

July 19, 2026

9:45 a.m.

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

PRELUDE (*Please prepare your hearts and minds for worship.*)

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

WELCOME – *A hearing assistance system and large print materials are available. Please see an usher.*

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (**Please rise in body or spirit.*)

Leader: Great is our God and abundant in power, with wisdom beyond our understanding.

People: **It is God who numbers all the stars and gives each of them a name, yet bends and heals the broken hearted and binds up all their wounds.**

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

*written by Bruce Prewer, and posted on **Bruce Prewer's Homepage***

***HYMN** **Old Rugged Cross (vs 1,2,4)**

UMH 504

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 94: 17-19

Unless the Lord had given me help, I would soon have dwelt in the silence of death. ¹⁸When I said, "My foot is slipping," your unfailing love, Lord, supported me. ¹⁹When anxiety was great within me, your consolation brought me joy.

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY**

UMH 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all
creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***BLESSING THE OFFERING**

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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, the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

HYMN Battle Hymn (vs 1,4,5)

UMH 717

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 2:1-6

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, ²in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. ³All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath. ⁴But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, ⁵made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. ⁶And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus,

MESSAGE "God Helps Those Who Help Themselves"

***HYMN Change My Heart O God**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION He Is Lord**

UMH 177

EXTINGUISHING OF ALTAR CANDLES

POSTLUDE

∞ Announcements ∞

MISSIONS TEAM MEETING – After the service today.

FAMILY FUN NIGHTS – **Continue this** Tuesday from 6:00-7:30 p.m., featuring a free dinner and family activity.

July 21 – Pasta and Games

July 28 – Pizza. Popcorn and a Movie

FELLOWSHIP DINNER – Wednesday, July 22 at 5:30 p.m. at Delmar Pizza Please let Jean Powell know if you will attend.

FRUITLAND BAPTIST FOOD BANK –

Monthly requests include diced tomatoes, spaghetti sauce, pancake mix, mixed vegetables, soups and toilet paper. A special request for items that be included in children's snack bags. Donations due first Sunday each month.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST FAMILY SUPPORT – Requests include: corn flour, vegetable oil, sugar, spaghetti noodles and sauce, rice, beans, and feminine hygiene products.

PRAYER CHAIN – Call or text Pat at 443-783-6423.

NEWSLETTER – Submit information by the 20th of the month to Paul Nelson at pnelson37@gmail.com

SOCIAL HOUR – See Buddy Pennewell or Cathy Grim to help.

Music Director: Mike Nelson
Videographer: Roger Vandegrift
Liturgist: Buddy Pennewell
ASL Interpreter: Nathanael Davis

IN THE MULTITUDE OF MY
ANXIETIES WITHIN ME,

*Your comforts delight
my soul.*

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PSALM 94:19

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