 Bulletin

August 6, 2017  Finding Faith: Bible Basics  10:00 am

“The beginning of love is to let those we love be perfectly themselves, and not to twist them to fit our own image. Otherwise we love only the reflection of ourselves we find in them.” -Thomas Merton

GATHERING

Prelude  “This is My Father’s World” (Bish)  -Carol Graham

Welcoming -Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw  
            -Rev. Frank Hallock

Choral Call to Worship  “Over My Head”  -Summer Choir

*Opening Prayer

God of truth, we come longing for the peace that only you can provide. We seem so often to be tossed to and fro, blown about by every wind except that of your own Holy Spirit. Be pleased to dwell here this day, to receive our worship and our praise. Linger long, and speak the truth to us in love that we may come to the unity of faith and to the knowledge of the full stature of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Prayer Response  “Gloria Patri”  -UMH 70

PRAYER

Scripture Lesson  Genesis 25:19-34 in the Old Testament  -Rollin Grider

For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God among us.
For the Word of God within us,
Praise be to God.

*Song of Joy  “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”  -UMH 57, Vs. 1-4

Community Prayer

God of our Fathers and Mothers, hear the prayers on our hearts. Hear the stress that kept us awake last night. Listen to the pain we have held on to for years. See the wounds in our lives that have never healed. Remind us that you love us as much as you love the neighbor who sins. Pour out your spirit of new life on us. Lift our hearts in peace through forgiveness. We give thanks for the Word of our ancestors that still binds us to you. Thanks be to God, Amen.
Silent Prayer
Pastoral Prayer

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 forever. Amen.

Music Moments of Celebration  
-Frank Hallock and SPRC

Special Music  
“Flee As A Bird”  (Mary S. B. Dana)  
-Summer Choir

MESSAGE

Scripture Lesson  Genesis 32:22-31 in the Old Testament

For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God among us.
For the Word of God within us,
Praise be to God.

Sermon  
“The Beginnings”  
-Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

A Modern Affirmation  
-UMH 885

WITNESS

Offering Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory  
“Gabriel’s Oboe”  (Morricone)  
-Carol Graham

*Doxology  
“God is Here”  
-UMH 660, Vs. 4

Offertory Prayer
We rejoice that we are able to love, O God, because you first loved us. May these gifts be used by your church as agents of your love, compassion and justice that we might provide for our neighbors' needs with more than bread alone. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sacrament of Holy Communion
All are welcome at the Lord’s Table. We receive communion by coming forward, taking a piece of bread and dipping it in the cup. If you are not able to come forward, please indicate that to your usher, and communion will be brought to you. We use unfermented juice so all people may receive.
Communion Music
“In Remembrance of Me” - FWS 2254

SENDING

BENEDICTION
You have gathered together as God's family, and now you leave this place knowing that the bonds of holy love keep us together. May Christ's love for us and all the world flow through our living, so that the world will know we are one and that God's Spirit always goes with us to all the world. Amen.

*Closing Song
“Are Ye Able” – UMH 530, Vs. 1, 2 & 4

Postlude
“He is Exalted” (Bock) - Carol Graham

*Please stand if you are able.

Please complete the registration card found in the pew pocket and place in the offering. Prayers and comments may be written on the back of the card.
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Flowers are given by Thelma Koda  
in loving memory of her awesome husband, John.