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September 24, 2023

8:30 am

Prelude – Jan Mix

Wesley Ringers -

Welcome and Greeting – Pastor Dave York

Call to Worship – Canticle of Covenant Faithfulness UMH 125 - Kathy McKinley

Leader: Seek the Lord who now is present, call upon the Lord, who is near.

People: **Let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts.**

Leader: Let them return, that the Lord may have mercy on them; that our God may abundantly pardon.

People: **For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways. And my thoughts are more than your thoughts.**

Leader: For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and return not but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

People: **so, shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I intend, and prosper in the thing for which I sent it.**

Opening Hymn – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee UMH 89

Prayer of Illumination – Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Choir Anthem – “Just as I Am” by Travis Cottrell

Old Testament Scripture – Psalm 86

Middle Hymn – Just as I Am UMH 357 v. 1-3,5

New Testament Scripture– Luke 7:36-50

Sermon – Forgiven Much, Love Much - Pastor Dave York

Response to Word – Forgiveness Ceremony

Prayer Time and Lord’s Prayer

Next Steps

Offering, Doxology, and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Holy God, we make our offerings both in gratitude and in seeking, in both remembering and hoping, in both fear and faith. Regardless of what is going on in our lives right now, receive these gifts as our way of loving you. Amen.

Closing Hymn – Freely, Freely UMH 389

Benediction



Norm & Nancy Dawson, Maurice Wheeler, Doug & Alice Hall, Miriam Cade, Mary Stephenson, David Goebel, Jennifer Bell

Every Wednesday we're having a potluck meal and the watching a video Bible series called, "The Jesus Creed". Then kids will be dismissed to children's activities or the nursery. Each lesson stands alone, so bring a dish and join us at 5:30 pm.



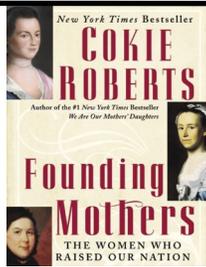
The Leavenworth Mission is holding a "Fill the Truck" fundraiser. They are accepting clothing, shoes, purses, belts, pillows, bedding, curtains, towels, and material. Items can be dropped off Monday

through Friday 11 am to 5 pm at 123 N Broadway.

If you have a prayer request or would like to join our prayer team, please call the church office at (913)682-5374 or email prayers@fumclvks.org. If you make a prayer request, we would love to have an update a week or so later. If you or a loved one go into the hospital or need pastoral care, please call the church office. Help us help you.



The book club is reading "Founding Mothers" by Cokie Roberts. It sheds new light on the of heroines, reformers, and visionaries who helped shape our nation chronicling women's public roles and private responsibilities. We'll meet Sept. 26, at 1 pm to discuss the book. We love new people to join us.



Fifth through twelfth grade students are invited to lunch after the second service. After lunch they separate into age groups for activities & a Bible lesson. They'll meet every Sunday at noon. For info, contact Kristen at KHowell@fumclvks.org.



Trinity House is a local food pantry and free clothing closet. They're in need of all types of food staples. They take donations Tues-Thurs 10 am to 1 pm at 2101 10th Ave.

Stronghold is a food pantry on Ft. Leavenworth for military families. They are gathering baby supplies for a baby shower in September. There is a plastic tote in the foyer. For info, contact Ed at egarven@fumclvks.org.



The HUB is a UMC food pantry. In Sept. we're collecting deodorant, toilet paper and beans. You can bring the items to the box in the foyer.



Monday, September 25

1:00 pm AIR Dementia Ministry

Tuesday, September 26

10:00 am Ladies Bible Study - Room 101

1:00 pm Book Club

6:30 pm Pastor's Bible Study - Wesley Hall

Wednesday, September 27

1:30 pm Heart and Soul - Room 101

3:45 pm Wonderful Wednesday

5:00 pm Grief Share Open Group

5:30 pm Jesus Creed Gathering

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 28

8:30 am Staff Meeting

6:30 pm Ladies Bible Study - Room 101

Saturday, September 30

1:00 pm Steve Simms Memorial Service

Sunday, October 1

8:30 am Traditional service

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Contemporary service

12:00 pm Refuge Youth & Fusion 56

4:00 pm Bell Rehearsal



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Online giving is available at fumclvks.org/product/give or use the QR code above to go

directly to the website. You can use a check or credit card. For help, contact Steven at sshade@fumclvks.org



Kids 3 to 12 years old are invited to Wonderful Wednesdays. They meet from 3:45 pm to 5:30 pm for fun, creative Bible lessons on the life of Paul. Visit our website to register at fumclvks.org/ww or click the QR code.