



October 13, 2024 8:30 am

Prelude – Marsha Gaffin

Welcome and Greeting - Pastor Dave York

Call to Worship - Kathy McKinley Leader: Guide us to do whatever we are supposed to do. People: Grant us the strength to be the answers to our prayers. Leader: Call us to pray for change in our world. People: Grant us the grace to be the change you desire to see.

**Opening Hymn** – How Great Thou Art UMH 77

Prayer of Illumination – Risen Jesus, we long to hear your truth and be used for your Kingdom purposes. Speak to us in the words of the ancient story that through our lives we may witness the hope and peace you would have us share. Amen

Choral Anthem – Jesus Speaks to Me by Mark Kellner	Prayer for the Election Process – Church Let's pray for the church to bear God's light during these elections:
Old Testament Reading – Psalm 143:5-10	That in the church we would keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, not becoming overwhelmed by the circumstances or placing all our hope in human leadership.
Middle Hymn – There is a Balm in Gilead UMH 375 Gospel Reading – Luke 1:26-38	That the church would lead the way in humility, truth, compassion and love throughout these elections – especially with those who we may disagree with.
Sermon – The Middle Voice	That God would give us wisdom to know not just how to vote in a way that honors him, but also what 'good works' he is calling us into to express his Kingdom during this time.
Prayer Time and Lord's Prayer	That God would protect the church from any persecution or violence during these elections.

Offering, Next Steps, and Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving – As people of faith, we wait in hope at the promise that Jesus will be among us. May our gifts be used to bring hope and evidence to many that he is alive in us. Bless the giver and the receiver of our gifts. Amen

Closing Hymn – Sent Forth by God's Blessing UMH 664

**Benediction** 

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Pledge cards have been mailed. If you didn't receive one, they are in the pews. This helps us set our annual budget. Please praverfully consider what God wants you to give in the coming year. Please return your pledge by Nov. 10.

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The Charge Conference is the church's annual business meeting. This year we'll have a 8:30 am worship service, brunch and Sunday School at 9:30 am, and then the meeting at 11:00 am.

Youth meet today at 6 pm in the Educational Building. For info, contact Sshade@fumclvks.org. Fusion 56 meets next Sunday at noon. Contact

Nancy at nshade@fumclvks.org for info.



MEN'S PRAYER & STUDY **OCT. 19** 8:00 AM

Men's Prayer Breakfast is Saturday, Oct. 19 at 8 am in the Fellowship Hall. For more info, contact Mike Mix at hairymule@gmail.com.

Several adult Sunday School classes are available at 9:30 am each week. The Cornerstone class is starting a new study on 1 & 2 Thessalonians by John MacArthur. Mary Lou Anderson teaches this class in room 101.





WENTED CANDYL Please donate candy to support Anthony Elementary, Nettie Hartnett, the Richard Allen Cultural Center, and our own Trunk or Treat events. Please bring candy donations to the church office.

Churches from Lansing and Leavenworth will gather at Westside Family Church on Oct.20 at 6 pm for a night of praise and worship.

ITEO PRAISE NIGHT

**RVIVING** Holidays are especially hard when you are grieving. Grief Share has a special class HOLIDAYS designed to help. The Spouse Surviving the Holidays class is Oct. 29 at 2 pm. The open Surviving the Holidays class is Nov. 13 at 5 pm. For info contact Marsha, Marshagaffin@gmail.com.



**TRINITY** Trinity House is a food pantry and clothing closet at 2101 10th Ave. They need warm clothing that is gently used and food donations. Drop off times are Tues-Thurs from 10 am to 1 pm. Call (913) 682-7474 for details.

Stronghold is a food pantry for soldiers at Ft. Leavenworth. They're in need of breakfast items such as cereal, granola bars, and Pop-Tarts. We have a plastic tote for donations in the foyer.





October 27 we will be collaborating with the Presbyterian church for a Trunk or Treat event from 5 to 7 pm. We need people who will decorate their cars For more info, contact Nancy at nshade@fumclvks.org.



Monday, October 14 5:00 pm Virtual Grief Share

# **Tuesday, October 15**

- 9:00 am Prayer Group
- 10:00 am Pursued Bible Study
- 2:00 pm Spouse Grief Group
- 6:30 pm Praying Like Monks Bible Study

### Wednesday, October 16

- 1:30 pm Heart and Soul Bible Study
- 3:45 pm Wonderful Wednesday
- 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

# Thursday, October 17

6:30 pm Pursued Bible Study

# Friday, October 18

10:00 am Tim Yenney Celebration of Life

### Saturday, October 19

8:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast



at fumclvks.org/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.



Join with churches across Leavenworth to say thank you to our public school teachers and staff. We'll be writing thank you cards to every staff member at Anthony

**Elementary and Nettie Hartnett** and delivering soup and bread

SERVE on Nov. 8. If you can help, there are sign up sheets in the foyer. We'll supply cards and names. For info, contact Sandy at swood@fumclvks.org.

Rehearsals for the Children's Christmas play will be on Sundays at 2 pm starting Oct. 20.



All children from 3 years old to sixth grade are invited to participate. For info, contact Nancy at nshade@fumclvks.org.