

UNIVERSITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

July 26, 2020 | 10:30 a.m.

Pastor - Reverend Michelle Mejia



There's a place for you in the hive!



Order of Worship - Streaming Service

WE GATHER FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE

Gathering Music

Blest Be the Tie that Binds
Bev Babcock - Piano

UMH #557

Welcome Message

Call to Worship

Come, God promised,
I will lead you to a land flowing with milk and honey.
Our God is a God of abundance.
Yet often, we wonder about what is enough-
Do we have enough?
Have we done enough?
How much is enough?
Perhaps we need more....
God who fed the Israelites with the bread of heaven each day,
Christ who fed the multitudes with just a few loaves and fish,
free us from scarcity
to rejoice in abundance.
Shape us as a community deeply rooted in your promises
that we might believe that we have plenty
and let praise flow like milk and honey in the promised land. Amen.

Hymn of Praise

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

UMH #139

Verse 1:

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy
health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
Now to His temple draw near;
Sing now in glad adoration!

Verse 3:

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper
thy work and defend thee,
Surely his goodness and mercy
Here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
Who with His love doth befriend thee.



The 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.**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

**God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul.
Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding
that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.**



Scripture

Exodus 16:4-21 & v.31

NRSV

⁴Then the Lord said to Moses, “I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. ⁵On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days.”

⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the evening you will know that it was the Lord who brought you out of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you will see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?” ⁸Moses also said, “You will know that it was the Lord when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the Lord.” ⁹Then Moses told Aaron, “Say to the entire Israelite community, ‘Come before the Lord, for he has heard your grumbling.’”

¹⁰While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the Lord appearing in the cloud.

¹¹The Lord said to Moses, ¹²“I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, ‘At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God.’” ¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?”¹⁶ For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat. ¹⁶This is what the Lord has commanded: ‘Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer to a person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents.’” ¹⁷The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. ¹⁸But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them needed. ¹⁹And Moses said to them, “Let no one leave any of it over until morning.” ²⁰But they did not listen to Moses; some left part of it until morning, and it bred worms and became foul. And Moses was angry with them. ²¹Morning by morning they gathered it, as much as each needed; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

³¹The people of Israel called the bread manna. It was white like coriander seed and tasted like wafers made with honey.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Pastor Michelle Mejia

Prayers



WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Giving of our Gifts

*If you haven't already done so, we hope you'll share your gifts.

Music Ministry

Largo, from Handel's *Sonata No.3 F-dur*
Maria Guidos-Albert (from Regina, Saskatchewan)

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Verse 1

Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done, in Whom this world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today

Verse 2

Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us still in grace, and guide us when perplexed;
And free us through all ills, in this world and the next!



Passing of the Peace

Blessing

Postlude

Shalom to You
Beverly Babcock –Organ

UMH #666

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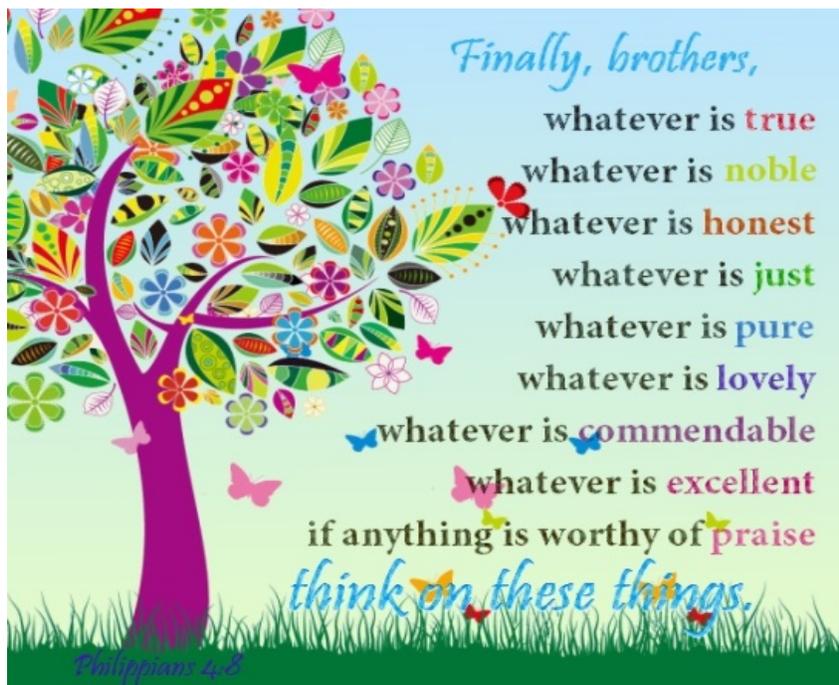
Prayer written by Emily Berkowitz. Bee pictures: pixabay.com picture; Fine art - *The Israelites Collecting Manna from Heaven*, Rudolf von Ems (Austrian, 1200 – 1254) The J. Paul Getty Museum, L.A.
Flower picture by Frances Notley. Worship flowers donated by Frances and David Notley; arrangement created by Marie Venero

Favorite Scripture

Philippians 4:4-8: ⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. ⁵ Let your reasonableness^[a] be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶ do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

Joshua 1:9 This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”



Millicent Scarlett says that these scripture verses, “talk about being strong, courageous and not being afraid. Knowing that God is with me wherever I go, and being able to tell him what I need, then to receive his peace, makes me want to always give him the thanks and praise he deserves.”



Announcements – July 26, 2020

HYMN SING What fun we have had singing, via Zoom! Please join us for our next hymn sing, which will take place on Thursday, July 30 at 7:30 p.m. Words and music are provided to participants, so send your song requests to the church office by Tuesday, July 28. (office@uumcp.org)

CONVERSATIONS ABOUT FAITH AND RACISM Beginning in August, you are invited to discuss racism, our faith, and what it means in today's world. Our conversations will be centered around the book: *I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness* written by Austin Channing Brown. As a community of faith that is exploring how to be known as an anti-racist church, these conversations will help us better understand issues confronting our friends and neighbors. We hope you will be able to join us for these discussions. We will meet Aug. 17, 24, and 31 and September 10, 17, and 24. Please let the church office know if you plan to join in; if we have too many participants for one class, we will offer two. Also, if you are interested, but these times will not work for you, let us know!

If you would like to read this profound book, you may order it online through Amazon, or other book dealer:

Amazon: [Austin Channing Brown's book](#)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL Join our Sunday School class (via Zoom) for a discussion of scriptures, sharing of insights, and time of fellowship. We meet Sundays at 11:15 after our worship service. Details are in the email blast from this week.

YOUTUBE HELP Our church has its own Youtube channel. When we reach 100 followers, Youtube will promote our videos more vigorously for free. It would be wonderful to connect to people outside of our present church family! Subscribers do not pay a fee, nor have to fill out forms. To subscribe to a Youtube channel means that you support that group, which in this case, is our church. Could you, please, consider subscribing? To do so, go to one of our worship videos on Youtube, and click subscribe! That's it! Thank you.

WEDNESDAY PRAYERS Join Pastor Michelle and members of your church family in a time of sharing prayers on Wednesdays at noon, via a conference call. The phone number will be emailed to you prior to the meeting time. For questions, please contact the church office: office@uumcp.org

CARE TEAM It is so important for us to stay connected as a church family. We would love to check in on everyone frequently, but need some more volunteers to help. If you could help with this, please let the church office know. (office@uumcp.org)

WORSHIP VIDEO HELP Isn't it fun to see friends! To that end, and to enhance our worship videos, we would love to have you "pass the offering plate" in a video that could be included for Sunday worship. If you have a smart phone, you have the capabilities to do this! For more information, please call or write the church office.

HOMEMADE MASKS NEEDED If you are willing and able to make masks for essential workers, *Route One Mask Match* needs your skills! They will provide materials and will pick up the masks (in a safe manner) from your home. Please contact the church office for more information.



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