

*Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost*  
**Service of Word**  
**October 20, 2024**  
**11:00 AM**

*The Chiming of the Worship Hour*

*The Welcome and Announcements*

*The Prelude*

“Jesus Is All the World to Me/Id Rather Have Jesus” arr. Topolski

*The Lighting of the Candles*

*The Introit*

“Jesus, We Are Here” Matsikenyiri

*The Opening Prayer*

*\*The Hymn of Praise*

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” (vs. 1, 4, 5) No. 139

*The Children’s Moments*

Laura Stewart

*The Intercessory Prayers*

The light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**  
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*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.

*\*The Congregational Hymn*

“In the Garden” (vs. 1,3) No. 314

*The Apostle’s Creed*

No. 881

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

*The Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings*

*The Offertory*

“It Is Well” arr. Musselman

*\*The Doxology*

*\*The Gospel Lesson:*

John 6:52-71 New Testament No. 93

This is the Word of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*\*The Gloria Patri*

*The Anthem*

“Fairest Lord Jesus” arr. Martin

*The Sermon*

“A Hard Teaching”

*\*The Hymn of Invitation*

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” (all verses) No. 127

*\*The Benediction*

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

*The Choral Benediction*

“Dear Jesus, in Whose Life I See” No. 468

*\*Postlude*

“Then Sings My Soul” arr. Cook

*The flowers on the Altar are dedicated to the Glory of God  
and given in loving honor of  
Isabel and Shane Jukes on their first anniversary  
and Helen and Marc Facella on their twenty-ninth anniversary  
by John, Antonio, Josie and Louis Facella.*

### WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Lighthouse Kids** – The Lighthouse Kids are invited to learn about Jesus on Wednesday nights from 5:15-6:45. Our new theme is “Mighty.”

**Upper Rooms** - The latest *Upper Room* is in. Please pick up your copy from the table at the back of the sanctuary.

**Judy Shirley Circle** - The Judy Shirley Circle will meet this Monday, October 21, at 6:00 pm in the fellowship hall. Hostesses will be Judy Stagers, Luann Purnell and Linda Drake. We will study Chapter 12 in our book, *Women of the Bible*. Everyone is welcome.

**Fall Picnic** - We still need one pan of baked beans and two more volunteers to bring cold drinks for the picnic, which will be held Sunday, October 27th, at Waverly Waters. Dress casually for church and then head to the picnic after the service. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets. We will have games for the children and enjoy a meal of jumbo hotdogs, potato salad, baked beans, chips and desserts. Contact Stacy if you can help.

**Thanksgiving Feast** - Our Thanksgiving meal will be held Sunday, November 17, in the fellowship hall following the church service. The church will provide the meat and dressing, but we will need sides. Contact Stacy to help!

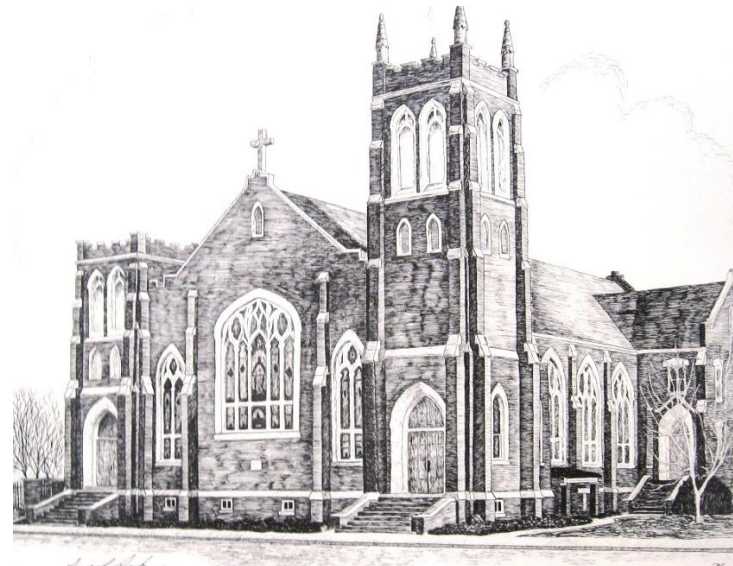
**Hurricane Relief** - We will be receiving donations for Hurricanes Helene and Milton storm victims through the month of October. If you would like to donate, please earmark your check UMCOR or you can give online at <https://giving.myamplify.io/app/giving/fumcwp>.

**New Texting Program** - Our new texting program is up and running. If you are not receiving texts and would like to, please let Gail know.

**Administrative Council Meeting** - October 27<sup>th</sup> immediately after church

**First United Methodist Church**  
**612 East Broad Street**  
**West Point, MS 39773**

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**Rev. Chad Bowen, Pastor**  
**Rachel Wood, Music Ministries**  
**Stacy Hays, Family Ministries**  
**Kindal Gammill, Pianist**