



*When you put your hand to the plow,
you can't put it down until you get
to the end of the row. Alice Paul*

Third Sunday after Pentecost

**Order of Worship
June 26, 2022
10:00 AM**

*Online Worship
YouTube Channel "Harmony UMCVA"*

Welcome

Prelude

A Canticle of Peace

The prelude signals the beginning of our sacred time together. During the prelude, you are invited to prepare your heart for worship by focusing your attention upon God.

Call to Worship

Patti Barnes

For just this hour,

Follow me

Listen to my word

Follow me

Think about your life as my disciple every day

Follow me

Pray

Follow me

Sing

Follow me

Come, let us worship God!

***Opening Prayer**

All-knowing Creator, from whom comes every good and perfect gift,
we praise you for the wisdom, power, and love
displayed in the natural universe and in humanity,
whom you have placed within it to care for it and nurture it.

All glory to you, omniscient God!

Light of the world, we praise you for being the eternal truth.

All glory to you, Christ our teacher!

Revealer of the deep things of God, we praise you for your gifts of awe
and wonder which lead us on the path of true wisdom.

All glory to you, Holy Spirit!

Hymn

Ye Servants of God

UMH 181

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Children's Message

Pastor Debra

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Debra

The Lord's Prayer

All Praying

Ministry of Music

There Is A Savior

Susan Whitman

Prayer for Illumination

All Praying

Patti Barnes

Almighty God, through your only Son you overcame death and opened to us the light of eternity. Enlighten our minds and kindle our hearts with the presence of your Spirit, that we may hear your words of comfort and challenge in the reading of the scriptures, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Luke 9:51-62

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Samaritan Opposition

51 As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. 52 And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; 53 but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. 54 When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them[a]?" 55 But Jesus turned and rebuked them. 56 Then he and his disciples went to another village.

The Cost of Following Jesus

57 As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."

58 Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head."

59 He said to another man, "Follow me."

But he replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father."

60 Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God."

61 Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family."

62 Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

Sermon

Put Your Hand to the Plow

Pastor Debra

Affirmation of Faith from Philippians 2:5-11

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Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death –even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

UMH 70

Hymn

*Lead Me, Guide Me
Refrain Only*

FWS 2214

I Dream of a Church

Will McCann

Invitation to The Offering

Patti Barnes

In days of old, God was seen as far from the people. But we know Christ, and in him we know God. When we share what we have out of love, our hearts grow closer to God, and we shine with Christ's glory. Let us offer our gifts to God today.

"Would the ushers please come forward to receive the morning offering."

Worship with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Meditation

**Doxology*

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

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!

**Prayer of Dedication* (All Praying)

Patti Barnes

Generous God, it is through your mercy that we have this ministry—the ministry of our talents and treasure, the ministry of our passion and purpose. Strengthen our hearts for your service, and accept the grateful offerings we lay before you. Amen.

Closing Hymn

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

FWS 2129

You are invited to come to the altar rail for prayer during the singing of this hymn.

Commission and Benediction

Congregation and Pastor Debra

As you go out into the world

Follow me

At home with your household

Follow me

At school and work

Follow me

In everything you do this week

Follow me

And as you do, remember that I am with you always,

even to the end of the world

Choral Benediction

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

Then let us go to serve in peace,

The gospel to proclaim.

God's Spirit has empowered us;

We go in Jesus' name.

Postlude

Hark! Hark! My Soul

YE SERVANTS OF GOD

*Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful name;
the name all-victorious of Jesus extol,
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all.*

*2. God ruleth on high, almighty to save,
and still he is nigh, his presence we have;
the great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.*

*3. "Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!"
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son;
the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.*

*4. Then let us adore and give him his right,
all glory and power, all wisdom and might;
all honor and blessing with angels above,
and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.*

LEAD ME, GUIDE ME

*Lead me, guide me, along the way,
For if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.*

I HAVE DECIDED TO FOLLOW JESUS

*I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus -
no turning back, no turning back.*

*2 The world behind me, the cross before me,
the world behind me, the cross before me,
the world behind me, the cross before me -
no turning back, no turning back.*

*3 Though none go with me, still I will follow,
though none go with me, still I will follow,
though none go with me, still I will follow—
no turning back, no turning back.*