Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 27, 2026
10:30 a.m.

OUR LORD'S
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

There's a Place for You Here

*As you view and participate in this worship please note that **bolded text** invites ALL to voice.*

Gathering Music "Breath of God, Breath of Peace" W&S 3145

GATHERING TOGETHER

Think on This for Today

The "same mind" doesn't mean the same thoughts, but the same goals. It means that love always wins over prejudice. It means that sacrifice always wins over selfishness. It means giving always triumphs over hoarding. How we go about becoming more like Christ, having that mind of Christ, may be different, as each of us is different. May we, in this place, all seek the same Christ, the same kingdom, the same hope. This is what being "in full accord" means.

Prelude "Word of God Speak" by Bart Millard & Pete Kipley

Graceful Engagement
Good morning, Church, I see you!
I am here!

*Call to Worship
The apostle Paul calls us to "let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus." What is the mind of Jesus?
The mind of Jesus is to love God, neighbor, self, and ALL creation.
Paul reminds us that "it is God who is at work in you." How is God at work in us?

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God enables us through grace to love God, neighbor, self, and ALL creation.
Paul exhorts us to "work on your own salvation with fear and trembling." How do we work on our own salvation?
We cooperate with grace to love God, neighbor, self, and ALL creation.
Beloved, we gather to worship God who, through Jesus, shows us how to love and enables us to love as Christ loves us.
We gather to learn how to live in full accord through our love of God, neighbor, self, and ALL creation.

*Greeting One Another
The peace of Christ be with you. **And, also with you!**

*Opening Hymn "Seek Ye First" *all verses* UMH 405

*Unison Prayer
Most wonderful God, the beauty we see in Jesus is Your beauty veiled in human flesh, the love we witness from Bethlehem to Golgotha is Your love contracted to a span. If Christ's life is so holy as to fill us with wonder, how much more would Your unveiled beauty leave us overwhelmed and trembling? You are more than the eye could bear, more than the mind can ever fathom. Yet You have so carefully made us that although we cannot fathom You, we can yet love You. Gratefully, we bring our little lives to You, asking that our worship may arise from love and be shaped by love and be directed towards that larger loving which is our soul's desire. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LEARNING TOGETHER

Children's Message And Jesus said... **Let the children come!**

*Scripture Reading Philippians 2:1-13 NRSVUE

Sermon "In Full Accord"

RESPONDING TOGETHER

(please text prayers to 414-378-4012 and Pastor Kelly will receive them)

Response Song "The Servant Song" *vs. 1, 2, 5* FWS 2222

Caring for Community
Be sure to write prayer requests, joys and concerns on the prayer board.

The Lord's Prayer ALL Together
Pray in the language and version of the prayer that most speaks to your heart.

Invitation to Giving

Offertory "More Love to Thee" by William H. Doane

*Doxology UMH 95, words adapted

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, the heavenly host;
Praise God, the Son, and Holy Ghost.

*Blessing Prayer
Humble Savior, You meet us at the start of every day and invite us to take on the mind of Christ. As we bring these gifts, set aside in us the need to win, to hoard, to be first. Shape us instead for love, for shared work, for joy in serving side by side. Use what we offer to build a community where sacrifice is natural, mercy is instinctive, and hope rises in every heart. Keep forming us, not by force but by grace, until our living begins to look like Jesus. We place our offerings - and ourselves - in Your hands. Let it be so.

*Responsive Sending Forth
Beloved, remember: God is at work in you, enabling you to work for God's pleasure.
May God bless us with a spirit of joyful cooperation and Christian love as together we work with God and neighbor for the flourishing of ALL God's creation.

*Final Blessing

Respond "Yes!" after each blessing phrase and join in ALL together for the final phrase: "This day and in every day to come!"

*Closing Hymn "Precious Name" *vs. 1, 2* UMH 536

*Postlude "We're Marching to Zion" by Robert Lowry

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Lectionary readings: Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 *"The commandments at Sinai";* Psalm 19 *"The commandments give light to the eyes";* Philippians 3:4b-14 *"To know Christ and his resurrection";* Matthew 21:33-46 *"The parable of the vineyard owner's son"*

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Highlighting, with gratitude, these servant leaders for today...

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