



PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION



18th Sunday after Pentecost  
October 1, 2023



**University Presbyterian Church**

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Ministers: The people of this church

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GATHERING TOGETHER

*As we prepare for worship together, in person or virtually, you may wish to light a candle representing the presence of God with you and concerns, laments, desires for healing, confessions or prayers of thanksgiving that you are particularly holding in the light of Christ today.*

*Everyone is invited to join in speaking or singing aloud the **bold** portions of the liturgy in the bulletin. \*The asterisk indicates parts of the worship when members of the congregation are invited to rise in body or spirit as able.*

PRELUDE

*Fugue*  
*Johann Pachelbel*  
*Public Domain*

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

Mamie Broadhurst

MINUTE FOR MISSION GIVING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pre-K - 5th Graders

Lighting the Candle

Words for Worship: Wrestle

\*HYMN No. 475

***Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing***

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**God of the struggle,**

**You reach out and draw us into full, real, presence.**

**You put your whole heart in and ask us to do the same.**

**Forgive us when we hold back because we don't want to be changed.**

**Forgive us when we turn away because you don't fit our neat categories.**

**Forgive us when we aren't willing to invest in our relationship with you.**

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

**Wrestle away our idols, our self-sufficiency,  
our need to get our own way,  
and bless us with a glimpse of your face  
and an abiding knowledge of your saving grace.  
We ask this in your most holy name. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (*responsive*)

The mystery of God includes the gift of grace for each and all of us.  
Together let us proclaim:

**We are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

*Hymn 447*

**We are forgiven. We are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.  
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.**

### WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 32:22-30

SERMON

Tip Tlpton

### WE RESPOND WITH DEDICATION

\*HYMN No. 816

***If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee***

OFFERING of GIFTS

*Reflect on your response to the work of Christ in the world today, and consider making a commitment of time, talents, and resources. If you choose to contribute to the work of Christ through UPC at this time, on line giving is available. See the announcements for more information.*

INVITATION

## ANTHEM

## *Ave Verum Corpus*

*Composer: W. A. Mozart*

*Public Domain Edition by Phillip Legge*

*Ave verum corpus, natum  
de Maria Virgine,  
vere passum, immolatum  
in cruce pro homine  
cuius latus perforatum  
fluxit aqua et sanguine:  
esto nobis prægustatum  
in mortis examine.*

*Hail, true Body, born  
of the Virgin Mary,  
truly suffered, sacrificed  
on the cross for mankind,  
from whose pierced side  
water and blood flowed:  
Be for us a foretaste of the Heavenly banquet  
in the trial of death!*

### \*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Old Hundredth*

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*unison*)

**Gracious God,  
We thank you for the gift of our ancestors  
who kept the conversation with you going through thick  
and thin.  
We bring before you these gifts today -  
our time, our talents, and our treasure -  
as part of our ongoing relationship with you.  
We also bring the gift of our ongoing wrestling.  
May each and all be used to honor you and to draw us  
closer together.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

In your wisdom, O God, you made all things...

And as we come together around this table,  
may we also join our voices together now as we pray the  
prayer your son taught us saying:

**Our Mother and Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come, your will be done,**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.**

**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

**For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever.**

**Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE ELEMENTS

COMMUNION PRAYER

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

\*CHARGE and BENEDICTION

God is...

**Everywhere.**

POSTLUDE

*Prelude*

*Johann Krieger*

*Public Domain*

*The Rev. Dr. Julius R. “Tip” Tipton is an honorably retired PC(USA) minister. He is currently “pastor-on-the-loose” at St. James Place, Baton Rouge.*



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The church nursery is open during the worship service for infants and children through kindergarten.

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UPC ANNUAL GIVING KICKOFF

# PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 8

9:30 a.m.

Fellowship Hall



## TELLING OUR STORY

What part of UPC's story do you claim as your own?  
How is UPC part of your story?

Find out on Sunday, October 8 in the Fellowship Hall as we gather to renew our adventure with the church, consider our role in UPC's mission and ministry, and hear about the vision UPC has for the future.

## Blessing of the Pets

October 1st at 5 P.M.

University United Methodist Church  
Front Parking Lot | All Pets Welcome



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