

Scripture Reading: Matthew 16:13-18

¹³ When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?”

¹⁴ They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

¹⁵ “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”

¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

¹⁷ Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

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September 30, 2018, 19th Sunday after Pentecost

UMH (United Methodist Hymnal) FWS (Faith We Sing)

W&S (Worship & Song)

(**Indicates for Congregation to stand if able)

****Call to Worship**

Liturgist: Chris Dietz

L: If God had not been for us, calamity would have
swallowed us whole.

**P: If Christ had not been on our side, we would have fallen
like birds shot from the sky.**

L: If the Spirit had abandoned us in our need, we would have
dried up like blooms in the desert.

P: Come to the Lord in prayer.

L: Come find healing and peace.

P: Come, let us worship.

Announcements / Birthdays & Anniversaries

Time of Reflection

Pianist: Joel Blair

****Hymn (FWS) #2223
#2164**

***They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love
Sanctuary***

Children's Sermon

Pastor Bill

Joys and Concerns / Pastoral Prayer

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.

****Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Scripture:

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Hymn (UMH) #451

Be Thou My Vision

Message *Why Should Anyone Be Interested in This Church?* Pastor Bill

Giving of Our Tithes and Offering - Please sign Pew Pad.

****Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below, praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

****Offertory Prayer**

Maker of heaven and earth, you are our help and our salvation. In celebration of your great and mighty deeds, we offer you our tithes and offerings this day. May they be signs of our commitment to share what we have with the poor and to honor your presence in our lives. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

****Hymn (UMH) #555**

Forward Through the Ages

Prayer for Living Expectantly

Gracious and Life-Giving God,

- Pour out your Holy Spirit, like a mighty wind and tongues of fire, to unleash our churches to see kingdom visions, to dream your dreams, and to prophesy to your saving grace and justice.
- Revive the power of the gospel in the hearts of our clergy and lay leadership and prosper their words and works, so that all nations may hear the good news in their own tongues.
- Boldly use me, without limits, delays or excuses, to be a living praise and witness to your love throughout all the earth and a blessing to all creation.
- Create in me an expectant heart, eager to receive your Spirit gifts and guidance to the glory of Jesus Christ, in whose precious and powerful name I pray. Amen.

Benediction / Greeting/ Postlude