



United Presbyterian Church
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Fifth Sunday Celebration
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Reverend Cheryl Montgomery

PRELUDE

Our Cities Cry to You

Dr. Benjamin Watkins, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

Deacon Vera Heitink, liturgist

Liturgist: The steadfast love of God never ceases.

People: God's mercies never come to an end;

Liturgist: they are new every morning.

People: Great is your faithfulness, O God.

Liturgist: Weeping may linger for the night,

People: but joy comes with the morning, for you hear us when we cry.

Liturgist: So we will praise you and will not be silent.

People: Sing praises, O you faithful ones, and give thanks to God's holy name.

***Opening Hymn** *Come Sing to God* #181

PASSING OF THE PEACE (liturgist & congregation)



Liturgist: Jesus Christ, our source of healing and peace is with us now. Let us share this healing and peace with one another.

The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

MUSIC for MEDITATION

Marielle Hug

CALL TO CONFESSION (liturgist)

Let us confess our sins to God, for God is faithful and loves us eternally.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison with liturgist)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Liturgist: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (liturgist)

Loving God, your Word has the power to restore our lives. Open our hearts to the presence of your Spirit, for you are mighty to save. Amen.

First Reading: *Lamentations 3: 22-33* (pew Bible p.632; large print p.1274) Liturgist

Gospel Reading: *Mark 5: 21-43* (pew Bible p.768; large print p.1548) Rev. Montgomery

Pastor: The word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God**

SERMON

From Hopelessness to Hope

Reverend Cheryl Montgomery

Hymn:

Great is Thy Faithfulness

#276

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—** The Apostles' Creed (traditional) led Rev. Montgomery
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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Gloria Patri

#579

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & The Lord's Prayer

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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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

God's boundless generosity transcends the limits of this world and nudges us to fill our land with blessing. Through our energy, time, talents, and treasures, we usher God's peace into a world filled with storms and obstacles.

Let us bring to God our gifts and our offerings.

Call for the Offering

Offertory

**Doxology*

#592

Prayer of Dedication – Rev. Cheryl Montgomery

***Closing Hymn**

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

#408

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Reverend Cheryl Montgomery

POSTLUDE

Live Into Hope

Dr. Benjamin Watkins, piano

*Please stand if you are able



Please join us for a 5th Sunday pitch-in lunch in Fellowship Hall immediately after the service.

Next Sunday . . . The UPC Worship Team Presents . . .



Benjamin Taylor Watkins in concert featuring compositions of Beethoven, immediately after Fellowship. Please bring a boxed, canned or bottled food donation for MCUM.

UPC Prayer List - Email requests to: upcbloomington@gmail.com.
 Kathleen Olds Rev. David Rosen Anita Steverson Roby Lorimer
 His Eyes Mission in Honduras led by Valerie & Felipe Colby
 Nyaka AIDS Orphans Project in Uganda led by Jackson Kaguri
 The people of Nigeria, Georgia, Ukraine and Middle East
 Our military men and women around the world
 Our students graduating from high school and college
 The faculty and staff of Monroe County United Ministries
 Monroe County's first responders, police officers and deputy sheriffs
 The 2024 PC(USA) General Assembly, now convened, in Salt Lake City



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