

UMC Morning Worship
September 11, 2022, 10:00 am

**Denotes Standing, in body and/or spirit*

Worship Theme: Amazing Grace

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements (see insert) Patti Schif

***Call to Worship** Psalm 51 (*Responsively*) Leader

Leader: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

People: **Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.**

Leader: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

People: **Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.**

Leader: Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

People: **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.**

***Opening Hymn** "Amazing Grace" UMH #378
(v. 1-4)

***Opening Prayer /Prayer of Confession (*Unison*)** Leader
Holy Jesus, we thank you for the opportunity of another day of worship. We come, recognizing our brokenness, but knowing that You are the great healer. We come knowing that we are sinners, but also knowing that You are our Savior. We come knowing that we've done nothing to deserve your love and grace, but You so freely give us both. May this day of worship remind us that, despite how far we have wandered, you are always willing to chase after us and find us once again. You are so good. You are so gracious. We love you. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

Remembrance Prayer for 9/11

Moment of silence – For those lost, those living, and for our God who sustains them all

A Time for Children of All Ages and Blessing for the School Year

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

Epistle Lesson: [1 Timothy 1:12–17](#) (NRSV) Leader

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

***Gospel Lesson:** [Luke 15:1–10](#) (NRSV)

Lector: The Word of God for the People of God

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon "Lost & Found" Pastor Chuck

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***Hymn of Response** "Softly and Tenderly" UMH #348

Jesus Is Calling"

(v. 1,2,4)

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns

Silent Prayer followed by the Pastoral Prayer

***Doxology & The Offering of our Gifts**

Offering Prayer (Unison)

Eternal Father, we thank you for calling us. We've been called to love and serve you - and we do that by the giving of our time, our talents, our gifts, and our thoughts. Please accept these gifts as a symbol of our love and service to you. Bless them, and make them tools that You can use to heal Your world through the life and resources of this congregation. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

- *Sending Hymn "I'll Fly Away" TFWS #2282
- *Benediction
- *Benediction Resp. "God is so Good" TFWS #2056
 (v. 1 & 2)

Coffee Hour Host: Thanks to the Schif Family!!

Join us Wednesday's @ 7:30am for
Wednesday-Wakeup Devotional & Fellowship
Next up: [Luke 16:1-13](#)



[Zoom Link](#)
(Live Meeting)



[YouTube \(https://bitly.com/WWakeup\)](https://bitly.com/WWakeup)
(Recorded Sessions)

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Worship Livestream Zoom link:

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“Growing in the Body of Christ”