

Gathering & Welcoming God's Presence

Prelude

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GREETINGS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Adult Bible Studies -- Sundays @9:30am
2. Link article deadline is October 15, with publishing by November 1st.
3. Charge Conference 12/1 @4:00pm

Prayer of Confession: Gracious God, we confess that too often we clamor for attention. Me! Me! Look at how important I am. That's what our actions say. Like James and John, we pray selfish prayers, for power, position, for prestige—for what? So that people will say how great we are? Teach us that true greatness comes from humble service. Show us how to roll up our sleeves, dig in, and lend a hand; even when no one else will. Preoccupy us with humility, then greatness can come when we least expect it. Give us the grace to live as humble servant. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 104:1-9,24,35

Leader: Welcome all who long to encounter Jesus, the one who loves, tends, sustains, and save us.

People: Jesus said, “the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve.”

Leader: Welcome all who walk the halls of power, who feel pushed and pulled to fight for position, status, and authority.

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Leader: Welcome all who feel burned out, who have given more than they have day in and day out and long for someone to notice that you, too, need help and support.

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LUMC's Vision Statement:

“Show God's love by accepting, supporting, and serving all people.” Matthew 25:35,36,40

serve.”

Leader: Welcome followers of Christ, who came to serve and show God's abundant love and grace among us.

All: We come to worship Jesus who shows us that serving is the fruit of our love and being served by one another is the source of our power as the Body of Christ. Amen.

Hymn: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee **UMH#89**

TIME TO SHARE OUR JOY AND CONCERN

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Kalo

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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 and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

***HYMN; How Great Thou Art**

UMH#77

SCRIPTURE

Mark 10:35-45

Message: Not To Be Served!

***HYMN; Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love**

UMH#432

***BENEDICTION:**

***POSTLUDE**

SCRIPTURE READING **Mark 10:35-35**

³⁵ Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. “Teacher,” they said, “we want you to do for us whatever we ask.”

³⁶ “What do you want me to do for you?” he asked.

³⁷ They replied, “Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory.”

³⁸ “You don’t know what you are asking,” Jesus said. “Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?”

³⁹ “We can,” they answered. Jesus said to them, “You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared.”

⁴¹ When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. ⁴² Jesus called them together and said, “You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Reader: This is the Word of God **Congregation:** Thanks be to God

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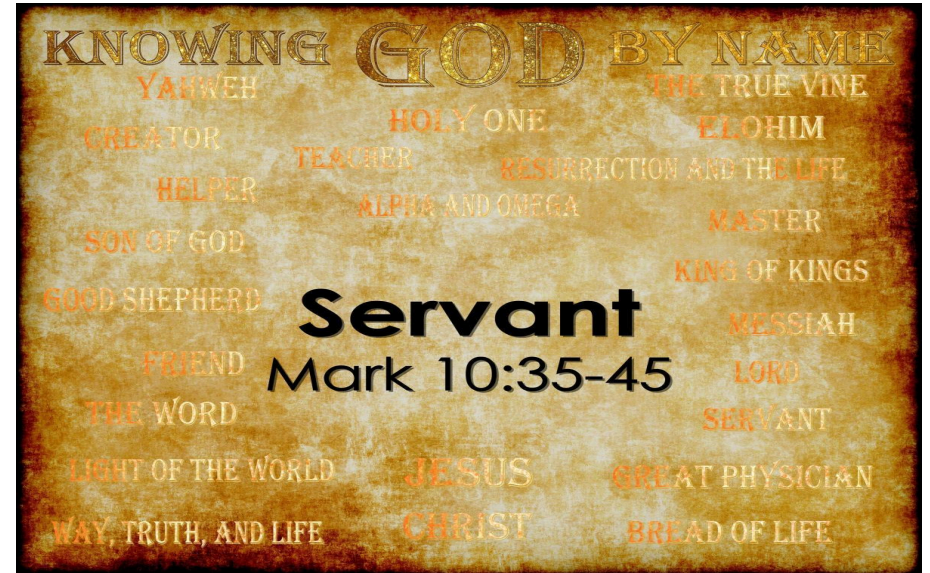
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Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost October 20th, 2024

Sunday Worship 10:30 am

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