

PRAY EVERY DAY October 1, 2023 Resource

What is one takeaway from the worship service that God is giving you?

Scripture Invitation

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. (Psalm 51:15 NRSV)

*Praying the Psalms from the Daily Office (Morning * Evening)*

Monday: 89:1-18 * 89:19-52
Tuesday: 97, 99, 100 * 94, 95
Wednesday: 101, 109 * 119:121-144
Thursday: 105:1-22 * 105:23-45
Friday: 102 * 107:1-32
Saturday: 107:33-43, 108 * 33
Sunday: 118 * 145

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. Amen.

The Bible in a Year with KUMC

This plan is available at KUMC and on the church website. This plan can be started at any time.

Small Group or Personal Study

- Read Philippians 1:21-30.
- Philippians 1:21 reads, “For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain” (NRSV). Paul was martyred in Rome by beheading under Emperor Nero during a time other Christians were killed as well, including Peter. While writing Philippians, Paul was in prison and probably during the time leading to his execution. Paul sees gain in death, “to depart and be with Christ” (1:23). In what ways do you foresee gain – or what questions do you have – about the Christian hope of resurrection to eternal life in Christ?
 - While Paul foresees gain in death, he also foresees gain in living and, “fruitful labor...to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you...I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith” (1:22-25). Paul longs for heaven, but he also longs to join in the work Christ was doing in the people at Philippi. As long as Paul lived, he shared and delighted in building people up in the grace of God. What work is there ahead of you in life where you may labor joyfully alongside Jesus Christ and the people God is raising up? Are you having difficulty finding that joyful labor? If you know what it is, have you begun? If you had already begun, are you continuing in it?
 - 1:27-30 is Paul’s encouragement to the Philippians in their own struggle to live in the good news of Jesus Christ. He notes it is a privilege to both believe in Christ and to suffer for him. Paul will encourage being of one mind for the faith of the gospel (1:27) which gets expanded upon in chapter two as to what that looks like. There is an insert in the bulletin “Share and Listen” which comes from things people have shared at KUMC about God’s direction for KUMC at this time. Read, listen, and pray how we may come to be of one mind in joining in what Jesus is up to at this time.

Spend time in silence
Prayer for others and yourself
The Lord's Prayer

Share the Love of Jesus because It's All about Relationships

How will you or how did you share the love of Jesus with neighbor today with no strings attached?

A Prayer of Charles de Foucauld

Father, I abandon myself into your hands; do with me what you will. Whatever you may do,

I thank you: I am ready for all, I accept all. Let only your will be done in me, and in all your creatures – I wish no more than this, O Lord.

Into your hands I commend my soul; I offer it to you with all the love of my heart, for I love you Lord, and so need to give myself, to surrender myself into your hands, without reserve, and with boundless confidence, for you are my Father.