



August 9, 2020 Worship
Announcements, Song Words, and Scripture

Welcome Visitors! In the midst of this challenging time, we're glad you're here to draw support from God and this new church. Actually, we're a new church that is connected to an old church, as First United Methodist Church has the downtown campus (founded 1871) and the Prairie Campus (launched 2019). We are an open-minded, inclusive, Christ-centered people, excited to be sharing God's love out on the eastern plains. Pastor Patty would love to chat with you by phone or zoom (or for a walk if you are up for that) to get to know you better, so email her at pattyw@fumc-cs.org or fill out the contact form at <https://www.fumc-cs.org/prairie-contact>. Or you can drop your contact info (write on any scrap of paper in your car!) in the donation box upon exiting the parking lot after worship. More info about the Prairie Campus at www.fumcprairie.org or on Facebook at FUMC Prairie Campus.

Sign up for the weekly e-newsletter at <https://www.fumc-cs.org/prairie-campus-e-newsletter-sign-up>.

Communion is served weekly. You are invited to bring communion items from home such as juice and crackers, but even doughnuts and coffee will work! If you need elements, Pastor Patty will have some available to distribute during the time of communion. All are welcome at Christ's table.

**Let's Bless Teachers and be the Church that Serves!
Help us Host the BLPA Teacher Luncheon on Aug.13**

How amazing are teachers?! We hold our Sunday worship at the BLR Prep Academy (in the parking lot for now!) and we are delighted to provide a Back to School luncheon for their team. This year more than ever, we need to bless these awesome folks. If you are willing to donate some items for the luncheon please contact Lynn Strong at lynn.s.strong@gmail.com and she will let you know what items are still needed.

The Gift of Steve Earnshaw's Music!

This Sunday we are blessed that Steve Earnshaw will be filling in for Justin Anderson (away on a well-deserved vacation) to lead our music for worship. Steve and Debbie have been attending the Prairie Campus for a little more than a year, where they have been active as small group leaders. Most recently, Steve co-led one of our anti-racism small groups. They have 2 adult children and one 5-year-old grandson. Steve is a retired United Methodist pastor who plays guitar and has written and recorded original Christian music for a number of years. Over the 19 years of his pastoral ministry Steve has led worship in 3 different congregations, Walk to Emmaus, Chrysalis, Kairos prison ministry and other areas of ministry. Debbie is a retired counselor and a fun fact is that their daughter is a United Methodist clergywoman, the Rev. Emily Hagan.

Tear Down Volunteers Needed - We are looking for 3 volunteers to help with tear down each Sunday after worship. Time commitment is about 45 minutes – from about 11 to 11:45 pm. You could do one Sunday a month (or more if you want!). Training provided. To sign up, email erin.wetmore@gmail.com.

Fellowship Time after church today – Social Distancing Style! If interested, after worship, drive to the north parking lot (on other side of the school). Bring a mask and lawn chair to sit in to be able greet folks from an appropriate distance. Feel free to bring your lunch/snacks and an umbrella to provide shade.

Ways to Give – to Support the Ministry of FUMC Prairie Campus

By text 719-298-3177, type GIVE, select CAMPUS + FUND(S)

Online - www.fumcprairie.org and find GIVE

By check – make out to “FUMC,” on memo line put “Prairie Campus.” Drop your check in the donation box, exiting the parking lot. If using cash, please put it in an envelope with your name on it for tax purposes.

All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and king
Lift up your voice and with us sing
Oh praise him, alleluia
Thou burning sun with golden beam
Thou silver moon with softer gleam
Oh praise him, oh praise him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Thou rushing wind that art so strong
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along
Oh praise him, alleluia
Thou rising moon in praise rejoice
Ye lights of evening, find a voice
Oh praise him, oh praise him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Let all things their creator bless
And worship him in humbleness
Oh praise him, alleluia
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son
And praise the Spirit, three-in-one
Oh praise him, oh praise him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Scripture Reading - Acts 27:41-28:9

But striking a reef, they ran the ship aground; the bow stuck and remained immovable, but the stern was being broken up by the force of the waves. The soldiers' plan was to kill the prisoners, so that none might swim away and escape; but the centurion, wishing to save Paul, kept them from carrying out their plan. He ordered those who could swim to jump overboard first and make for the land, and the rest to follow, some on planks and others on pieces of the ship. And so it was that all were brought safely to land.

After we had reached safety, we then learned that the island was called Malta. The natives showed us unusual kindness. Since it had begun to rain and was cold, they kindled a fire and welcomed all of us around it. Paul had gathered a bundle of brushwood and was putting it on the fire, when a viper, driven out by the heat, fastened itself on his hand. When the natives saw the creature hanging from his hand, they said to one another, "This man must be a murderer; though he has escaped from the sea, justice has not allowed him to live." He, however, shook off the creature into the fire and suffered no harm. They were expecting him to swell up or drop dead, but after they had waited a long time and saw that nothing unusual had happened to him, they changed their minds and began to say that he was a god.

Now in the neighborhood of that place were lands belonging to the leading man of the island, named Publius, who received us and entertained us hospitably for three days. It so happened that the father of Publius lay sick in bed with fever and dysentery. Paul visited him and cured him by praying and putting his hands on him. After this happened, the rest of the people on the island who had diseases also came and were cured.

One: This is the word of God, for the people of God. All: **Thanks be to God, Amen!**

Everlasting God

Verse

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord

Wait upon the Lord

We will wait upon the Lord

Verse 2

Our God, you reign forever

Our hope, our strong deliverer

Chorus

You are the everlasting God

The everlasting God

You do not faint you won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

God With Us

Verse 1

You've come to bring peace
To be love, to be nearer to us
You've come to bring life
To be light, to shine brighter in us
Oh, Emmanuel, God with us

Chorus

Our deliverer, you are savior
In your presence we find our strength
Over everything, our redemption
God with us, you are God with us

Verse 2

You've come to be hope
To this world and to show us the way
You've come to take sin
To bear shame and to conquer the grave
Oh Emmanuel, God with us

Bridge

You are here
You are holy
We are standing in your glory