



Sunday, August 9th, 2026
Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome and Invitations

Rev. Steve Taylor

***Call to Worship:**

Come to hear the Word.

Come to do the Word.

Come to experience Comfort

Come to experience Challenge.

Come to find Cost.

Come to find Joy.

Come to find Humanity.

Come to find Community.

Come to find Church.

Come to find God.

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***Hymn of Praise:**

I Know Whom I Have Believed

UMH 714

Prayer Request/Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

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***Songs of Praise**

Let It Be A Hallelujah
Shout To The North

Praise Band

*** Offering/Offertory**

O God Our Help In Ages Past

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Jill Mansfield

***Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



***Scripture:**

Matthew 14: 22-33(NIV)

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The Word of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God

***Children's Moment**

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***Sermon**

Stepping Out Of The Boat

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***Hymn of Reflection**

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

UMH 474

***Affirmation of Faith**

*Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?
Shall tribulation or distress,
or persecution or famine,
or nakedness or peril or sword?*

UMH 887

No!

**In all things we are more than conquerors
through the One who loved us.**

**We are sure that neither
death nor life,
nor angels, nor principalities,
nor things present, nor things to come,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Thanks be to God! Amen.**



***Closing Song**

The Lord's Prayer/It's Yours

Praise Band

***Sending Forth**

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***Postlude**

Announcements and Information

Coming Up This Week At Epworth UMC		
Sunday, August 9th:		
"Boiler Room" Prayer Gathering		4:00pm
West Wing/Chapel		
Tuesday, August 11th:		
FOOD PANTRY		1:00pm - 4:00pm
Happy Birthday Rev. Steve Taylor		
Wednesday, August 12th:		
FOOD PANTRY		1:00pm - 4:00pm
Women's Ensemble Rehearsal		6:00pm - 7:00pm
West Wing/Choir Room		
Thursday, August 13th:		
FOOD PANTRY		1:00pm - 4:00pm
ECDS Oversight Meeting		5:30pm - 6:30pm
SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH:		
BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP		8:30am-9:00am
SUNDAY SCHOOL		9:00am-10:00am
WORSHIP		10:15am-11:30am
"BOILER ROOM" PRAYER GROUP		4:00pm-5:00pm
<i>Birthdays</i>		
Aug. 11th		
Steve Taylor		



PLEASE PRAY FOR

U.S. Military	Marsha Alexander	Yuvanah James
Law Enforcement	Lou Parrish	Jim & Stella Allen
First Responders	Lilly Watson	Cassy Kerr
Roy Flugge	Harlei Claphan	Vi Bassett
		Larry & Sara Jacobson

PRAYERS FOR HOMEBOUND

Naomi Dean	Jim & Rita Roles
Shirley Hays	Darlene Harrison
Donna Bingaman	Lois Cook

Euella Spoonemore - Mother of Debbie Clark
Eric Little - Nephew of Suzan Colvin
Jason Little-Nephew of Suzan Colvin
Toni Clive - Sister of Jeanne Mather
David Watson - Father of Benjamin Watson
Barbara Taylor - Mother of Rev. Steve Taylor
John Holdeman - Brother of Jeanne Mather
Jeanice McDonald - Sister of Janice Smith
Terry & Kristy Fancher - Friends of Tim Brauer
Sarah McGovern-Daughter of Judy Jernigan
Twila Long - Sister-In Law of Susan Gearhart
Ann Barrows - Mother of Liz Taylor
Doug Schrock -Friend of Larry Wasson & Doug Cooper
Jay & Tobi Gregory- Friends of Bruce & Sharon Storms
Emllie Watson - Niece Alyssa & Benjamin Watson
David Bennett - Brenda Davidson Brother-In-Law
Veronica Jones Family
Savannah Logue
Parker Kemp



"The Courageous Next Step"

4 Part Sermon Series begins August 9th!

August 9th- "Stepping Out Of The Boat"

Matthew 14:22-33

August 16th- "Stepping Into The River"

Joshua 3:14-17

August 23rd- "Stepping Into The Unknown"

Genesis 12:1-4; Hebrews 11:8

August 30th- "Stepping Against The Odds"

1 Samuel 14:1-15