



Sunday, August 23rd, 2026
Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome and Invitations

Rev. Steve Taylor

***Call to Worship:**

The work of the Creator is visible.

Let us respond with praise.

The example of Jesus is apparent.

Let us respond with obedience.

The wind of the Spirit is blowing.

Let us respond with joy.

The word of God is calling.

Let us worship in spirit and in the truth.

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***Hymn of Praise:**

Onward Christian Soldiers

UMH 575

Prayer Request/Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

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***Songs of Praise**

Anxious Heart
Evidence

Praise Band

*** Offering/Offertory**

Blessed Assurance

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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:**

Genesis 12: 1-4 & Hebrews 11: 8(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 Into The Unknown

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***Hymn of Reflection**

Trust and Obey

UMH 467

***Affirmation of Faith**

UMH 887

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

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

My Jesus

Praise Band

*Sending Forth

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*Postlude

Announcements and Information

Coming Up This Week At Epworth UMC	
Sunday, August 23rd: "Boiler Room" Prayer Gathering <i>West Wing/Chapel</i>	4:00pm
Monday, August 24th: Finance Meeting Trustee Meeting	5:30pm - 6:00pm 6:00pm - 6:30pm
Tuesday, August 25th: FOOD PANTRY	1:00pm - 4:00pm
Wednesday, August 26th: FOOD PANTRY Bible Discussion <i>East Wing/Library</i> Women's Ensemble Rehearsal <i>West Wing/Choir Room</i>	1:00pm - 4:00pm 5:00pm - 6:00pm 6:00pm - 7:00pm
Thursday, August 27th: FOOD PANTRY	1:00pm - 4:00pm
SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH: BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL WORSHIP "BOILER ROOM" PRAYER GROUP	8:30am-9:00am 9:00am-10:00am 10:15am-11:30am 4:00pm-5:00pm
<i>Birthdays</i> Aug. 23 rd Tina Baker Aug. 26 th Emily Nye Aug. 27 th Stella Allen	<i>Anniversaries</i>



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
Sherma Bartel - Cousin of Bruce Storms
Linda Wiseman - Sharon Storms sister
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







Called
TO GLORY



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Mr. **PHILIP
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DATE: AUGUST 29TH, 2026
VENUE: PRAISE CHURCH
ADDRESS: 3900 E I-240 SERVICE ROAD
OKLAHOMA
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TIME: 7:00PM-9:00PM

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Family Movie Sunday at Epworth! Sunday, August 30th at 4:30pm! Fellowship Hall

We will be having a Family Movie Sunday
for adults and kids in the Fellowship Hall!
We will have all kinds of snacks and the
whole congregation is invited!