



Sunday, October 4th, 2026
Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome and Invitations

Rev. Steve Taylor

***Call to Worship:**

Rev. Steve Taylor

In Christ, the God of heaven has made his home on earth.

Christ dwells among us and is one with us.

Highest of all creation, he lives among the least.

He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.

Come now, all who thirst, and drink of the water of life.

Come now, all who hunger, and be filled with good things.

Come now, all who seek,

and encounter the abundant love of the almighty God.

***Hymn of Praise:**

UMH 384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Prayer Request/Pastoral Prayer/Lords Prayer

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***Songs of Praise**

Praise Band

Call It Grace
How He Loves

*** Offering/Offertory**

Rev. Steve Taylor
Jill Mansfield

O Worship The King



***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:**

Colossians 2: 1-15 (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**

Rooted and Built Up

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***Hymn of Reflection**

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

UMH 349



***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;**

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the
quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***Closing Song**

The Lord's Prayer It's Yours

Praise Band

***Sending Forth**

Rev. Steve Taylor

***Postlude**



Announcements and Information

Coming Up This Week At Epworth UMC	
Sunday, October 11th:	
"Boiler Room" Prayer Gathering <i>West Wing/Chapel</i>	4:00pm
Family Pumpkin Painting <i>Fellowship Hall</i>	4:30pm - 6:00pm
Confirmation Class	5:00pm - 7:00pm
Monday, October 12th:	
Women's Fall Bible Study <i>Parlor</i>	5:30pm - 7:00pm
Tuesday, October 13th:	
Women's Fall Bible Study <i>Parlor</i>	9:30am - 11:00am
FOOD PANTRY	1:00pm - 4:00pm
Wednesday, October 14th:	
FOOD PANTRY	1:00pm - 4:00pm
Bible Discussion <i>East Wing/Library</i>	5:00pm - 6:00pm
Women's Ensemble Rehearsal <i>West Wing/Choir Room</i>	6:00pm - 7:00pm
Thursday, October 15th:	
FOOD PANTRY	1:00pm - 4:00pm
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH:	
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
<u><i>Birthdays</i></u>	<u><i>Anniversaries</i></u>
Oct. 14 th Darleen Harrison	Oct. 16 th Steve McGrew
Oct. 15 th Sunnie Edwards	



PLEASE PRAY FOR

U.S. Military	Marsha Alexander	<u>Yuvanah James</u>
Law Enforcement	Lou Pamish	Jim & Stella Allen
First Responders	Lilly Watson	Cassy Kerr
Roy <u>Flugge</u>	<u>Harlei Claphan</u>	Vi Bassett
Doug & Pam Cooper	Loretta Herndon	Larry & Sara Jacobson
Bruce Storms	Drew Godwin	Susan Gearhart
Megan Colvin		

PRAYERS FOR HOMEBOUND

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

Jackie Hutzell - Daughter of Jeanne Mather
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
Emilie Watson - Niece Alyssa & Benjamin Watson
David Bennett - Brenda Davidson Brother-In-Law
Sherma Bartel - Cousin of Bruce Storms
Linda Wiseman - Sharon Storms sister
Steve Obel- Brother of Sharla Castillo
Kobe Cotton
Parker Kemp
Ethan Kee - Friend of Nash Ehrlich



Do you have a used blanket in good condition you don't need?



Bring it to church and we can share it with those in need!



Learning to Breathe

Mastering the Art of Spiritual Respiration

By
Chris Lohrstorfer

Women's Fall Bible Study

Monday evenings 5:30pm – 7:00pm September 28th- November 2nd

Tuesday mornings 9:30am – 11:00am September 29th -November 3rd

Bible Studies will be held at Epworth UMC in the East Wing Parlor.

Need to sign up by September 22nd. Cost for study materials is \$10.

Please have exact cash to purchase study book on first day of class.

To sign up or for more information, contact Susan Gassaway. Her phone number is (432-352-0662).



