



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

a Stephen Ministry Congregation

JULY 19, 2020

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.*

Dr. Jay D. Cooper
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Reverend Lucas S. Tribble
Associate Minister

Reverend Gillian L. Walters
Associate Minister

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District Superintendent
Montgomery-Opelika and
Montgomery-Prattville Districts

MORNING WORSHIP

LITURGICAL COLOR: GREEN

Prelude *So Fades the Lovely Blooming Flower* George Shearing

Welcome and Parish Notices Rev. Gillian L. Walters

Chiming of the Trinity
The three chimes signify the presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

Introit *Bless This House* arr. May Brahe

*Processional Hymn *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* 694

1. *Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home; all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin. God our Maker doth provide for our wants to be supplied; come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.*

3. *For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the harvest home; from the field shall in that day all offenses purge away, giving angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast; but the fruitful ears to store in the garner evermore.*

2. *All the world is God's own field, fruit as praise to God we yield; wheat and tares together sown are to joy or sorrow grown; first the blade and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear; Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.*

4. *Even so, Lord, quickly come, bring thy final harvest home; gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin, there, forever purified, in thy presence to abide; come, with all thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.*

*Call to Worship Dr. C. Jason Borders

Leader: Teach us your way, O Lord,
People: That we may walk in your truth;
Leader: Give us an undivided heart,
People: That we may revere your name!

Invocation

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray together.
All: **Steadfast God, teach us your way and your truth. Root us in you alone. Help us to grow in grace and love, that we may be wheat that transforms weeds. Amen.**

*Affirmation of Faith **The Apostles' Creed** 881

**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.**

*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.*

Sacrament of Baptism Lucille Elizabeth Carroll
Daughter of Clay and Leanne Carroll

Concerns of a Caring Fellowship Rev. Lucas S. Tribble

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Ben A. McDavid

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Bob Chilcott

Meg Griffin, Soprano
Cathedral Choir

*Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart, be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night, both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.
Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word, be thou ever with me, and I with thee Lord;
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son; Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.
Be thou and thou only the first in my heart: O sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.*

Presentation of the Tithes and Offerings

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***Doxology**

***Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly hosts;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

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Children's Minute

Rev. Lucas S. Tribble

***Gospel Reading**

Matthew 13:24-30

Sermon

The Miracle of Conversion

Rev. Gillian L. Walters

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Those desiring to unite with the church, either by profession of faith or by transfer of membership, are invited to contact Rev. Lucas Tribble, ltribble@fumcmontgomery.org.

***Hymn of Invitation**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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1. Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down; fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown! Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast! Let us all in thee inherit; let us find that second rest. Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be; end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

3. Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return and never, nevermore thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

4. Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be. Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee; changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

***Benediction**

Dr. C. Jason Borders

***Benediction Response**

Amen

arr. John Rutter

Postlude

Prelude, Fugue, and Chaconne

D. Buxtehude

The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Robert and Carol Henry by Sean and Mandi Miller.

LITURGICAL SEASON: ORDINARY TIME

Ordinary time, also called the Season After Pentecost, begins the day after Pentecost and ends the day before the First Sunday of Advent. It may include twenty-three to twenty-eight Sundays, depending on the date of Easter.

IN MEMORY OF

Roger Sherman Duggar

Respite Ministry: *OB GYN Associates of Montgomery P.C., Jennifer Turner House, Mr. and Mrs. Woody Lamar, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mussafer, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Robertson;*
Memorial Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Pete Land, Sue Loftis;* Organ Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Tom Albrecht;*
Building Fund: *Susan Hutcheson Gammage*

Judy Rutland Pratt

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Music Ministry: *Gayle Page;* Cathedral Builders: *Mr. and Mrs. Phil Butler*

Walton Elizabeth Savage Skelley

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IN HONOR OF

Jack Horner

Respite Ministry: *Burton Pratt*

Dr. Jay Cooper

Respite Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. Pete Land*

AROUND THE CONGREGATION

BAPTISM

Hopkins Scott Lee

July 12, 2020
Son of

BIRTH

Elizabeth Alina Coker

Daughter of Henry and Jagoda Coker
July 10, 2020

SYMPATHY

To Gayle Page and her family upon the death of Gayle's brother, *Daniel Lolley;* and to Steve and Valerie Snoderly and their family upon the death of Steve's father, *John Snoderly*
