

February Prayer Partner

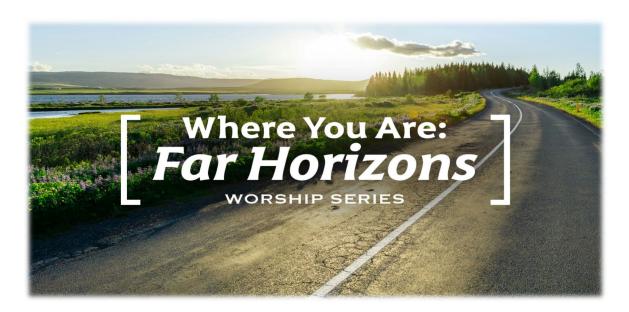
But Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him.

Jeremiah 17:7

"Lord, I ask for your Holy Spirit to fill (_____) with all the confidence they need, and may they know that their true worth is found in you. I pray their confidence and trust be in you alone and that standards they strive for are those that You provide. Give them grace and peace and remind them of your great love for them. In Jesus' name, Amen."

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February 16th, 2025 Teddy Bear Sunday

Our Vision Statement: Enlarging the circle of disciples through Jesus

Thanks for joining us today! If you have any questions while you are here this morning, you can find an answer at the Welcome table, which is inside the doors off Jefferson Street. Whatever your circumstances, and no matter where you've been, you matter to God, and you matter to us. We are glad you are here! If you are a first time guest with us this morning, **Welcome!** Please stop by the welcome table and pick up a welcome packet.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

"Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked or take the path that sinners tread or sit in the seat of scoffers, but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night." Psalm 1: 1-2

*indicates please stand if you are able

Please fill out the attendance pad and pass it to your neighbor

WELCOME & A	ANNOUNCEMENTS		Martin Burchfield
Prelude	Two Hymn Settings	by Noreen Grey Lienhard	Scott Turner
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*Нүмn	In The Garden	(#314)	Scott Turner

***OPENING PRAYER**

Martin Burchfield

Compassionate God, we recognize that our world is a broken place, hurt by poverty, famine, and disease. We admit that sometimes we make the world a broken place, tolerating prejudice, conflict, and self-interest. We confess that our hearts also suffer with anger, resentment, and jealousy. Renew us in Your love, O God, and heal us with the comfort of Your abundant love. Awaken us to the role we can play in healing Your creation. Strengthen us through the power of the Holy Spirit to hear Your word and move forward in faith. Amen.



Pastor: Christian Taylor Worship: Jeremy Laukhuf Director of Music: Scott Turner Screen Creator: Melody Taylor Acolytes: Jackson Osburn & Anna Stoller Projectionist: Noah Carter Sound Engineer: Kent Smelser Videographer: Dave Thompson Usher Coordinator: Neil Shaffer & Dave Lichtle

*Song CHAT WITH THE CHIL (Children are dismissed to	<i>m</i> Jeremy Laukhuf Scott Turner		
LIFE IN THE CHURCH		Martin Burchfield	
Anthem	Glory to God	by S. Rachmaninoff Glor	Chancel Choir ia Wendel, accompanist
*Scripture Series Message	Luke 6: 17-26 Where You Are: Far Horizons <i>Rejoice in that Day</i> Pastor Christian Taylor		
Prayers of the Peo The Lord's I			Pastor Christian Taylor
GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS (Children return from AWE) OFFERTORY Hymn of Promise *DoxoLogy My Tribute *PRAYER OF GRATITUDE		arr. Scott Turner (#99)	
*Hymn	Amazing Grace	(# ₃₇ 8)	Scott Turner
*Spoken Benedict		Pastor Christian Taylor	
Postlude	Allegretto Grazioso	by A. Dvorak	Scott Turner

You are invited to be seated and enjoy the Postlude or leave quietly in peace. Thank you for worshipping with us!

KID'S MINISTRY AWE

Children preschool through 5th grade have an opportunity to build their relationship with Jesus through uplifting songs and impactful Bible lessons by attending our Alternate Worship Experience. Children will be released to AWE after praise and worship and return during offering time. AWE will not meet Communion Sunday which is the first Sunday of the month.

