

**Order of Worship**  
**Friendship United Methodist Church**  
**Sunday, October 13, 2024**

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**Gathering**  
**Greeting/Announcements**

**"This Is The Day"**

**Call to Worship**

**from Psalm 90**

**L:** Lord, you have been our dwelling place  
in all generations.

**P:** *Before the mountains were brought forth  
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,  
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.*

**L:** Let your work be manifest to your servants  
and your glorious power to their children.

**P:** *Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us  
and prosper for us the work of our hands—  
O prosper the work of our hands!*

**All:** *O Come, let us worship the Lord!*

**Opening Prayer**

**Shirley Waldrum**

**\*Hymn of Praise**

**UMH #117**

**"O God Our Help in Ages Past"**

*O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast,  
and our eternal home!*

*Under the shadow of thy throne,  
still may we dwell secure;  
sufficient is thine arm alone,  
and our defense is sure.*

*Before the hills in order stood,  
or earth received her frame,  
from everlasting, thou art God,  
to endless years the same.*

*A thousand ages, in thy sight,  
are like an evening gone;  
short as the watch that ends the night,  
before the rising sun.*

*Time, like an ever rolling stream,  
bears all who breathe away;  
they fly forgotten, as a dream  
dies at the opening day.*

*O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come;  
be thou our guide while life shall last,  
and our eternal home.*

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

**UMH #883**

**L:** Let us unite in this historic affirmation of the Christian faith.

**All:** *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**

**UMH # 70**

*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. Amen.*

**Scripture Reading**

**Job 23:1-9, 16-17**

*Then Job answered:*

*“Today also my complaint is bitter;  
his hand is heavy despite my groaning.  
Oh, that I knew where I might find him,  
that I might come even to his dwelling!  
I would lay my case before him  
and fill my mouth with arguments.  
I would learn what he would answer me  
and understand what he would say to me.  
Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power?  
No, but he would give heed to me.  
There the upright could reason with him,  
and I should be acquitted forever by my judge.  
“If I go forward, he is not there;  
or backward, I cannot perceive him;  
on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him;  
I turn to the right, but I cannot see him.  
God has made my heart faint;  
the Almighty has terrified me.  
If only I could vanish in darkness,  
and thick darkness would cover my face!*

**L:** This is the Word of God, for the people of God.

**P:** *Thanks be to God!*

**Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings**

*If you would like to share in the ministry of Friendship United  
Methodist Church, you may do so by mailing your offering to the  
church: PO Box 3385 – Sherman, Texas 75091*

**\*The Doxology**

**UMH # 95**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him, all creatures here below  
Praise him, above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

**Children’s Time**

**Rev. Spore**

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns/Pastoral Prayer/Lord’s Prayer**

*During this time, the congregation is invited to offer up their concerns  
for others by speaking their name or by typing their name into the  
“chat” box on Facebook. Please offer only their first name to protect  
their privacy. After each name is raised, let the congregation respond:  
“Lord, hear our prayer.”*

**Hymn of Celebration**

**UMH # 520**

**“Nobody Knows the Trouble I See”**

*Refrain:*

*Nobody knows the trouble I see,  
nobody knows but Jesus;  
oh, nobody knows the trouble I see,  
glory hallelujah!*

*Sometimes I'm up,  
sometimes I'm down,*

*Oh, yes, Lord!*

*Sometimes I'm almost to the ground,  
Oh, yes, Lord! (Refrain)*

*Although you see me going long so,  
Oh, yes, Lord!*

*I have my troubles here below,  
Oh, yes, Lord! (Refrain)*

*What makes old Satan hate me so?  
Oh, yes, Lord!*

*Cause he got me once and let me go,*

*Oh, yes, Lord! (Refrain)*

**Hymn of Preparation**

**UMH # 176**

**“Majesty”**

*Majesty, worship his majesty  
Unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise  
Majesty, kingdom authority  
Flow from his throne, unto his own, his anthem raise.*

*So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus  
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King  
Majesty, worship his majesty  
Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.*

**Message**

**Rev. Spore**

*“A Bitter Complaint”*

**Hymn of Discipleship**

**UMH #474**

**“Precious Lord, Take my Hand”**

*Precious Lord, take my hand  
Lead me on, help me stand  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn  
Through the storm, through the night  
Lead me on to the light  
Take my hand, precious Lord  
Lead me home.*

*When my way grows drear  
Precious Lord linger near  
When my life is almost gone  
Hear my cry, hear my call  
Hold my hand lest I fall  
Take my hand, precious Lord  
Lead me home.*

*When the darkness appears  
And the night draws near*

*And the day is past and gone  
At the river I stand,  
Guide my feet, hold my hand  
Take my hand, precious Lord  
Lead me home.*

**Benediction**

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**Opportunities for Involvement and Ministry**

**Each Sunday**

9:50 – Sunday School  
11:00 – Worship

**Each Wednesday**

10:00 - Friendship Crafters  
12:00 - Bible Study  
“Back to the Basics”

**Wednesday, October 16**

1:30 – Church Council

**Saturday, October 26**

3:00 – Subs and Cinema

**Worship Leaders**

Rev. Roy Spore –Pastor  
Shirley Waldrum – Music leader  
Debra Jackson - Pianist  
Karen Spore – Technical Assistant  
Pat Greenfield – Lay Reader

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