

Waupun  
United Methodist Church  
September 29, 2024  
Sunday worship – 9:00 a.m.

A series of blue musical notes of varying heights and stems, floating above the word 'PRAISE'.

SING  
SONGS  
OF PRAISE

James 5:13

**Welcome to worship.  
May you find the presence of God wherever you are.**

At the \* sign, please stand as you are able.

**Bold print** = Congregation

Prelude

Welcome

Musical Call to Worship

**\*Call to Worship**

*(based on Psalm 103)*

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all the Lord's blessings.**

God forgives all our sins.

**God heals all our diseases.**

God redeems our lives from the Pit.

**God crowns us with steadfast love and mercy.**

As long as we live, God blesses us with good.

**We are renewed and made whole! Bless the Lord, O my soul!**

**\*Opening Hymn**

**Red #496**

**on supplement**

**"Sweet Hour of Prayer"**

Message from/for the Children

"Anointing Oil"

Bible Reading

James 5:13-20

<sup>13</sup> Are any of you suffering hardships? You should pray. Are any of you happy? You should sing praises. <sup>14</sup> Are any of you sick? You should call for the elders of the church to come and pray over you, anointing you with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup> Such a prayer offered in faith will heal the sick, and the Lord will make you well. And if you have committed any sins, you will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup> Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results. <sup>17</sup> Elijah was as human as we are, and yet when he prayed earnestly that no rain would fall, none fell for three and a half years! <sup>18</sup> Then, when he prayed again, the sky sent down rain and the earth began to yield its crops. <sup>19</sup> My dear brothers and sisters, if someone among you wanders away from the truth and is brought back, <sup>20</sup> you can be sure that whoever brings the sinner back from wandering will save that person from death and bring about the forgiveness of many sins.

New Living Translation (NLT)

**Prayer of Confession**

***Call to Confession***

*(based on 2 Corinthians 1:4-5)*

God consoles us in all our affliction so we may be able to console those who are in affliction. For just as Christ's sufferings are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. Let us bring confession of sin and brokenness before God.

***Confession***

**Merciful God, we stand in need of your healing and transforming presence in our lives. We long for wholeness but too often cannot resist the demands to compartmentalize our lives. We desire true intimacy but are afraid to be transparent, lest others judge and reject us. We want health but don't take care of our bodies and don't give our souls Sabbath rest. We need authentic, loving community but struggle to commit ourselves deeply to others. Forgive us, we pray. Heal us of our shortsightedness, of our self-hatred and denial, of our illusions of control, of the fears and stresses and anxieties that keep us from living fully as children created in your image. Amen.**

Video for Reflection

"The Fragrance of Christ"

David Haas

***Assurance of Forgiveness***

Jesus Christ heals the sick, mends the brokenhearted and forgives those who repent. Friends, in Jesus Christ, we are made whole and new.

**To God be the glory! Amen.**

**Song Response**

**Red #99**

**on supplement**

**"My Tribute"**

Pastor's Message

"Power of Prayer"

Tithes and Offerings

**\*Song of Thanksgiving Black #2036 on supplement “Give Thanks”**  
\*Prayer of Dedication

**Prayers of the People**

**Joys, Praise and Concerns**

Pastoral Prayer

**The Lord’s Prayer**

Announcements

**\*Closing Hymn Black #2158 on supplement “Just a Closer Walk With Thee”**

**\*Blessing/Dismissal**

May the LORD who heals all your iniquity bless and keep you;  
May the face of the LORD who heals all your afflictions shine upon you and be gracious to you;  
And may the light of the countenance of the LORD who redeems your life be lifted upon you and give you peace.

**Amen.**

Today's Worship Ministers:	<b>All of us – wherever we are</b>
Tech Operators:	Brady Bronson and Val Dolgner
Pianist:	Sue Rens Guell
Worship Leader/Preacher:	Pastor Steve Miller
Counters:	Dan Dolgner and Mary Vande Zande

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**



September – Breakfast foods  
October – Pasta Sauce (& pasta)

**INTENSIVE PRAYER LIST**

Lois Bentley Mike Duer Joyce Brown Tammy Kasuboski Bob Bradley  
Ray Dolgner Ryan Giese Jerry Kok Marion Dolgner  
Those impacted by war in Ukraine For peace in the Mideast

**Remember our homebound:**

Hillside Manor, Beaver Dam: Joyce Berry  
Home in Waupun: Dean and Karen Starks  
Our House Senior Living, Portage: June Witowich  
Prairie Place, Ripon: Elaine Stanton  
Prairie Ridge, Waupun: Phyllis McDowell

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