



Love does no harm to a
neighbor. Therefore love is the
fulfillment of the law.

Romans 13:10

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WESTMORELAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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September 10, 2023

PRELUDE "FILL MY CUP LORD" GARY MAYNARD

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP PSALM 148:vv. 1&13**

LEADER: PRAISE THE LORD! PRAISE THE LORD!

PRAISE THE LORD FROM THE HEAVENS, PRAISE IN THE HEIGHTS!

**PEOPLE: LET THEM PRAISE THE NAME OF THE LORD, WHOSE NAME
ALONE IS EXALTED, WHOSE GLORY IS ABOVE EARTH AND HEAVEN.**

***HYMN "JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE" UMH 89**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION UNISON Help us, O Lord our God
to hear the wonder and the fullness of your love as revealed in
your Word, your Living Word, today. Amen**

***RESPONSIVE READING PSALM 149 BULLETIN INSERT**

***GLORIA PATRI UMH 70**

**SPECIAL MUSIC "BECAUSE HE LOVED ME"
DEBBIE & GARY MAYNARD**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING EXODUS 12:1-14

**SHARING OUR PRAISES & CONCERNS
(PLEASE USE YOUR PRAYER CARD AND PUT IN PRAYER BASKET)**

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING & *DOXOLOGY UMH 95

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

EPISTLE READING

ROMANS 13:8-14

HYMN “LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING”

UMH 384

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

LEADER: WE CONFESS THAT THE CIRCLE OF LOVE IS REPEATEDLY BROKEN BECAUSE OF OUR SIN OF EXCLUSION. WE CREATE SEPARATE CIRCLES: THE INNER CIRCLE AND THE OUTER CIRCLE, THE CIRCLE OF POWER AND THE CIRCLE OF DESPAIR, THE CIRCLE OF PRIVILEGE AND THE CIRCLE OF DEPRIVATION.

PEOPLE: FORGIVE US OUR SINS, AS WE FORGIVE ALL WHO HAVE SINNED AGAINST US.

LEADER: WE CONFESS THAT THE CIRCLE OF LOVE IS BROKEN WHENEVER THERE IS ALIENATION, WHENEVER THERE IS MISUNDERSTANDING, WHENEVER THERE IS INSENSITIVITY OR A HARDENING OF THE HEART. WE CONFESS THAT THE CIRCLE OF LOVE IS BROKEN **WHENEVER** WE CANNOT SEE EYE TO EYE, WHENEVER WE CANNOT LINK HAND TO HAND, WHENEVER WE CANNOT LIVE HEART TO HEART AND AFFIRM OUR DIFFERENCES. THROUGH GOD’S GRACE WE ARE FORGIVEN BY THE MERCY OF OUR CREATOR, THROUGH THE LOVE OF THE CHRIST, AND IN THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT. LET US REJOICE AND BE GLAD! **PEOPLE: GLORY TO GOD! AMEN.**

***GOSPEL READING**

MATTHEW 14:22-33
STEPHANIE MALCOLM, RLLP

SERMON

“THE BIG OWE”

REV. THOM MALCOLM

***HYMN**

“TO GOD BE THE GLORY”

UMH 98

***THE LEADING OF THE LIGHT**

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

GARY MAYNARD

PLEASE NOTE

***Congregational meeting with District Superintendent,
Rev. Joe Hill scheduled for Monday, September 25th
@ 6:00pm at the church. Purpose of meeting is to
discuss the status of the United Methodist Church.***

Announcements

Tuesday & Thursday 9:30am Exercise Class

Tuesday, Sept. 12 5:00pm Choir Practice

Thursday, Sept. 14 10:30am Set up for Concert Reception

Prayer List

*Please update prayer requests
within 3 weeks, via prayer card or a call to the office.*

Pam Baker

Jacob Ball

Dawn Baumgardner

Mike Black

Sonny Branham

Beth Carson

Jill & Jim Combs

Bob Cox

Judy Given

Jimmy Green

Loretta Hetzer

Remember those not able to join us for church:

Jim & Barbara Christain, Betty Craig,

Donna & Dave Davis, Joy Fetty, Ruth Kelley,

Loretta Hetzer, Patricia Morgan, Jim Reed,

Harold Sowards, Dan & Shirley Webster, Marge Wheeler

Office Hours: Pastor Thom Malcolm Wed/ Thurs 1:30-4:00

Secretary: Donna Rumbaugh Wed/Thurs 2:30-4:30

Cell: 304-633-3680

Interim Music Director: Gary Maynard

Pianist: Gary Maynard

Liturgist: Ann Wheeler

**Please note that information for the bulletin needs to be
in the church office by Wednesdays at 1:30pm.**