



POLK CITY  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

September 5, 2021



### “Faith From the Inside Out” | Fearless Faith

Our end of summer series is based on the Disney Pixar film "Inside Out." The movie follows the emotions and experiences of 11-year-old Riley as her family goes through the transition of moving across the country. Join us as we discover how to live out our faith while balancing the emotions of sadness, fear, anger, disgust and joy!



### September 12 | National Back to Church Sunday

It's September! School has started, Fall is in the air, and now's the time to get Back to Church. Join us on Sunday, September 12 for **National Back to Church Sunday!** Beginning Sept. 12 we'll be back indoors for blended worship at 9:30 AM with children's chapel time during worship and coffee fellowship after. We are hoping to have the nursery fully staffed, as well! This is a great time to get back in a regular routine of gathering with your faith community. See you then! Oh, and bring a friend!

**Worship & Fellowship Volunteers Needed!** Sign up here: [www.polkcityumc.org/worship](http://www.polkcityumc.org/worship)

**Nursery Staff and Children's Chapel Teachers Needed!** Apply for Nursery staff and Volunteer for Children's Chapel here: [www.polkcityumc.org/children](http://www.polkcityumc.org/children)

**Worship Survey – We want to hear from you!** Take the survey here: [www.polkcityumc.org/worship](http://www.polkcityumc.org/worship)

#### We are happy to worship together with you!

All words for communal singing and speaking are included in the bulletin. You are encouraged to either speak the words in bold aloud as you worship, and to sing out your praise, or to attend to these words for worship and meditate on their meaning. You are also invited to greet one another and post prayer requests in the [Facebook](#) comments or to fill out the connect card in the bulletin or on the [website](#).

#### Children are always welcome in worship!

We love to hear their voices and know their presence among us! This summer, we are offering a **Children's Chapel** time during the second half of worship. Children are invited to follow our Children's Ministry leaders for a time of children's worship and fun activities, and will return to their families during the last song.

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## GATHERING SONG

## “My Lighthouse”

### Verse 1

In my wrestling and in my doubts  
In my failures You won't walk out  
Your great love will lead me through  
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea

### Verse 2

In the silence You won't let go  
In the questions Your truth will hold  
Your great love will lead me through  
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea

### Chorus

My Lighthouse my Lighthouse  
Shining in the darkness  
I will follow You oh

My Lighthouse my Lighthouse  
I will trust the promise  
You will carry me safe to shore  
Safe to shore safe to shore safe to shore

### Verse 3

I won't fear what tomorrow brings  
With each morning I'll rise and sing  
My God's love will lead me through  
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea

### Bridge

Fire before us  
You're the brightest  
You will lead us  
Through the storms (hey)  
(REPEAT 3X)

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## WELCOME

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## CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 27)

Leader: The Lord is our light and our salvation, whom shall we fear?

**People: The Lord is the stronghold of our lives of whom shall we be afraid?**

Leader: We believe that we shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

**People: Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!**

## SONG

## “Great Is Thy Faithfulness (Beginning to End)”

### Verse 1

Great is Thy faithfulness  
O God my Father  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee  
Thou changest not Thy compassions they fail not  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be

### Verse 2

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest  
Sun moon and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness mercy and love

### Chorus 1

Beginning to end my life in Your hands  
Great great is Your faithfulness  
You never let go this one thing I know

Great great is Your faithfulness

### Verse 3

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside

### Tag

Oh great great is Your faithfulness

### Chorus 2

Great is Thy faithfulness  
Great is Thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed Thy hand has provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto me

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## CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

Children are invited to a time of children's worship, bible story & activities and will return during closing song

## OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Make your offering [online](#) or mail checks to 1421 W. Broadway St., Polk City, IA 50226 (Attn: Finance Secretary)

## UNISON PRAYER

**O Loving God, we give you thanks that you have given us courage in the face of fear. You have blessed us with your vision of peace. In gratitude we give these gifts to the mission of your church for the greater good knowing that love overcomes hate and life overcomes death through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## JOYS & CONCERNS

Turn to a neighbor to share joys and concerns, or submit prayer requests in the [Facebook comments](#) or the Attendance Card [on our website](#) or in the bulletin

## PASTORAL PRAYER / 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.**

## SONG OF REFLECTION

### "No Longer Slaves"

#### Verse 1

You unravel me with a melody  
You surround me with a song  
Of deliverance from my enemies  
Till all my fears are gone

#### Chorus

I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God  
I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God

#### Verse 2

From my Mother's womb  
You have chosen me  
Love has called my name  
I've been born again into Your family  
Your blood flows through my veins

#### Bridge

You split the sea so I could walk right through it  
My fears were drowned in perfect love  
You rescued me so I could stand and sing  
I am a child of God

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## SCRIPTURE READING

### Matthew 25:14-30 (CEB)

<sup>14</sup> "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who was leaving on a trip. He called his servants and handed his possessions over to them. <sup>15</sup> To one he gave five valuable coins, and to another he gave two, and to another he gave one. He gave to each servant according to that servant's ability. Then he left on his journey.

<sup>16</sup> "After the man left, the servant who had five valuable coins took them and went to work doing business with them. He gained five more. <sup>17</sup> In the same way, the one who had two valuable coins gained two more. <sup>18</sup> But the servant who had received the one valuable coin dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money.

<sup>19</sup> "Now after a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup> The one who had received five valuable coins came forward with five additional coins. He said, 'Master, you gave me five valuable coins. Look, I've gained five more.'

<sup>21</sup> "His master replied, 'Excellent! You are a good and faithful servant! You've been faithful over a little. I'll put you in charge of much. Come, celebrate with me.'

<sup>22</sup> "The second servant also came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two valuable coins. Look, I've gained two more.'

<sup>23</sup> "His master replied, 'Well done! You are a good and faithful servant. You've been faithful over a little. I'll put you in charge of much. Come, celebrate with me.'

<sup>24</sup> “Now the one who had received one valuable coin came and said, ‘Master, I knew that you are a hard man. You harvest grain where you haven’t sown. You gather crops where you haven’t spread seed. <sup>25</sup> So I was afraid. And I hid my valuable coin in the ground. Here, you have what’s yours.’

<sup>26</sup> “His master replied, ‘You evil and lazy servant! You knew that I harvest grain where I haven’t sown and that I gather crops where I haven’t spread seed? <sup>27</sup> In that case, you should have turned my money over to the bankers so that when I returned, you could give me what belonged to me with interest. <sup>28</sup> Therefore, take from him the valuable coin and give it to the one who has ten coins. <sup>29</sup> Those who have much will receive more, and they will have more than they need. But as for those who don’t have much, even the little bit they have will be taken away from them. <sup>30</sup> Now take the worthless servant and throw him out into the farthest darkness.’

“People there will be weeping and grinding their teeth.

**SERMON**

**“Fearless Faith”**

**Rev. Denny Coon, guest preacher**

**SONG OF SENDING**

**“My Feet Are On the Rock”**

1. I can see the clouds roll in  
I can feel the winds they try to shake me  
I will not be moved my feet are on the Rock

2. I can feel the waters rise  
I can hear the howling lies that haunt me  
Fear won't hold me now my feet are on the Rock

When I feel my hope about to break  
I will cling to Your unchanging grace  
Let the waters come and the earth give way  
I'll be dancing in the rain  
(My feet are on the Rock Oo Oo)

3. I can see the morning light  
I can feel the joy on the horizon  
Here my faith is found I stand on solid ground

Bridge  
On Christ the solid Rock I stand  
All other ground is sinking sand  
So stomp your feet and clap your hands  
Our feet are on the Rock

My feet are on the Rock (Oo Oo)  
My feet are on the Rock

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**QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION OR DISCUSSION**

- What do you fear?
- How might fear affect the way we live? (Does it cause us to have feelings like worry, anxiety? Does it make us want to control others, etc.?)
- Is God nudging you to do something that causes fear? What seems to be the danger? How can you process this?
- What encourages you amid fear?

**ATTENDANCE CARD** *please fill out this portion, then tear off and drop in the offering*

**Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer Request:** \_\_\_\_\_

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