



POLK CITY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 11, 2020

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SMALL GROUPS are forming and we want every adult to get connected for study, spiritual growth & connection. Click the links to JOIN!

- **Adult Bible Study:** Sundays at 10:30 AM, patio behind the Wing & on ZOOM
- **Texting Small Group:** on your own time; sign up to receive texts
- **Virtual Tea Time:** 3rd Wednesdays of the month, 3:30 PM on ZOOM
- **Walking Club:** Tuesdays at 5:15 PM, Sandpiper Recreation Area
- **Selah Yoga Group:** Wednesdays at 5:30 PM, PCUMC soccer field

YOUTH GROUP for 6th-12th grade and **FUEL KIDS** for 3rd-6th grade meet outdoors Sundays following worship.

OCTOBER MISSIONS:

- Bring canned food for the **Youth DMARC Halloween Food Drive**, or [donate HERE](#).
- Give to the **Des Moines Hunger Hike**: [donate HERE](#).

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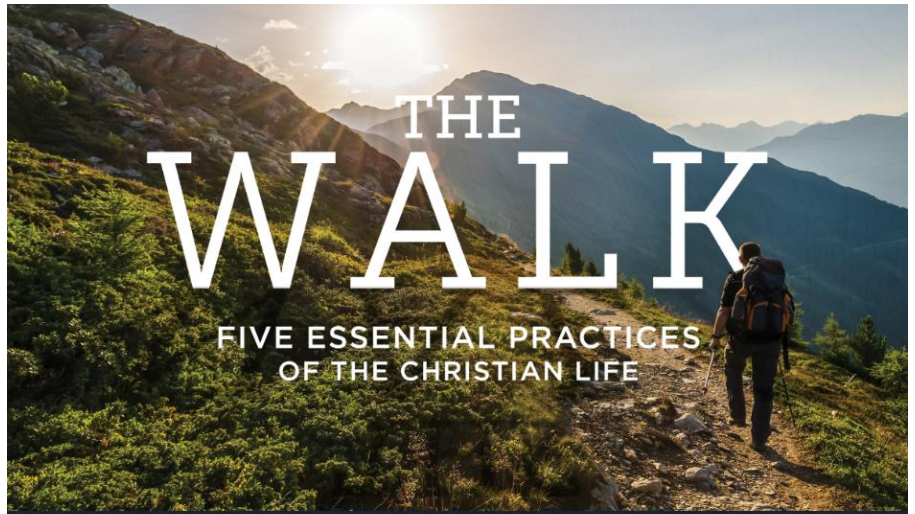
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GIVE Live Generously

Living a life of generosity is using our time, talents and resources to serve God and bless others.

When you begin your day
Read these scriptures.

Matthew 6:21
For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Luke 6:38
Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.

As you pray this simple prayer, open your hands, palms up, to illustrate that you are committing all you have to God.

"Dear God, help me to remember that all the resources I have ultimately come from you. Help me to be thankful for what I have, and forgive me for too often being focused on what I don't. Help me to live generously today in every way and to look for ways to be a blessing to others, Amen."

Practice five acts of generosity each month
Ideas to cultivate a life of generosity:

Bless a friend, neighbor or co-worker.
Take a meal to a busy family, help a neighbor with household tasks, or assist a co-worker with a difficult project.

Bless a stranger with a random act of kindness.
Simple acts, like buying coffee for someone or offering a good tip and sincere thanks to a server, help you experience the joy of generosity.

Learn more about needs in our community and world.
Identify areas and projects of need that you are passionate about and plan how to share your time, talents and resources

Make regular financial giving a priority.
Record how you spend money, and see what it reflects about your budget.

Leave a legacy of generosity.
A legacy gift is one way to further your generosity and bless future generations. Help support the church's mission and ministries in the future.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

All words for communal speaking and singing are included below. Attend to these words for worship, and if you are masked, you may speak and sing aloud, but quietly. Say hello and post prayer requests in the [Facebook](#) comments or fill out the [website](#) connect card.

SONG OF PRAISE

“Take My Life”

CCLI Song # 1617154

Verse 1

Holiness holiness
Is what I long for
Holiness is what I need
Holiness holiness
Is what You want from me

Chorus

So take my heart and form it
Take my mind transform it
Take my will conform it
To Yours to Yours oh Lord

Verse 2

Faithfulness faithfulness
Is what I long for
Faithfulness is what I need
Faithfulness faithfulness
Is what You want from me

Verse 3

Righteousness righteousness
Is what I long for
Righteousness is what I need
Righteousness righteousness
Is what You want from me

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading:

Matthew 6:19-21

¹⁹ “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰ but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Second Reading:

Luke 6:37-38

³⁷ “Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸ give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

Third Reading:

Acts 20:35

“Remember the Lord Jesus’ words: ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

PRAYER

Almighty God, you create, redeem and sustain us, every moment of our lives. You call us to trust you in every circumstance of our lives, yet far too often, we do not. When we face illness, conflict, and fear, we lose hope in our future. When we suffer setback and loss, we often grow bitter and forget your love. When we become absorbed by our wants and desires, we are blind to those around us who need our care. Forgive us, O God, for our despair, our bitterness and our fear. Turn our hearts back to you and remind us that in times of hardship and plenty, you alone are the source of the life that really is life. Holy God, in love and trust, we pray all these things through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SONG OF PREPARATION*Verse 1*

Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing
 Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
 Streams of mercy never ceasing
 Call for songs of loudest praise
 Teach me some melodious sonnet
 Sung by flaming tongues above
 Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
 Mount of Thy redeeming love

Verse 2

Here I raise mine Ebenezer
 Hither by Thy help I'm come
 And I hope by Thy good pleasure
 Safely to arrive at home

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Jesus sought me when a stranger
 Wand'ring from the fold of God
 He to rescue me from danger
 Interposed His precious blood

Verse 3

O to grace how great a debtor
 Daily I'm constrained to be
 Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter
 Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee
 Prone to wander Lord I feel it
 Prone to leave the God I love
 Here's my heart Lord take and seal it
 Seal it for Thy courts above

UMH #400**SERMON****“Where Your Treasure Is...”****Rev. Melody Webb****OFFERING OUR PRAYERS, OUR GIFTS, OUR LIVES**

Post prayer requests in the [Facebook](#) comments or fill out the [website](#) connect card.

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

SONG OF SENDING*Verse 1*

Blessed be Your name
 In the land that is plentiful
 Where Your streams of abundance flow
 Blessed be Your name

Verse 2

Blessed be Your name
 When I'm found in the desert place
 Though I walk through the wilderness
 Blessed be Your name

Chorus

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll
 Turn back to praise
 When the darkness closes in Lord
 Still I will say
 Blessed be the name of the Lord
 Blessed be Your name
 Blessed be the name of the Lord

“Blessed Be Your Name”

Blessed be Your glorious name

Verse 3

Blessed be Your name
 When the sun's shining down on me
 When the world's all as it should be
 Blessed be Your name

Verse 4

Blessed be Your name
 On the road marked with suffering
 Though there's pain in the offering
 Blessed be Your name

Bridge

You give and take away
 You give and take away
 My heart will choose to say
 Lord blessed be Your name

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