



A Season of Creation
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PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Women and Girls: Phenomenal. That's what we are!

Men and Boys: Yes, our sisters, mothers, daughters, wives, friends, aunts, cousins, and nieces—phenomenal—that's what you are!

Women and Girls: We nurture, plan, care for, prepare, volunteer, love, support, comfort, manage, conquer—we are strong, graceful, sensible, and thoughtful. We are marvelously and wonderfully made.

Men and Boys: Yes, our God has done great things. We should shout, hallelujah!

Women and Girls: Our brothers, fathers, sons, uncles, nephews, friends, and cousins—God has created and woven you into the same phenomenally wonderful and miraculous tapestry. Let us all shout, hallelujah!

ALL: Praise be to God for making each one of us unique. We are special and made in God's own image. Yes! We are God's delight. Hallelujah!

OPENING HYMN

O Word of God Incarnate

UMH #598

OPENING PRAYER

Loving, steadfast God, the world is large and brutal. We feel like children, small and vulnerable. Hold us in your steady arms like a strong mother. Guide us like a wise father. Speak to us and raise us up as your wise, loving, gentle children. We pray in the presence and power of our brother Jesus. Amen.

THE BASKET

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we live our lives as best we can— dealing with difficult relationships and situations, putting failures and disappointments behind us, and moving into each new day with as much energy, goodwill, and optimism as we can muster.

But here, right now, we seldom have the right answers, we seldom seek your higher wisdom in our lives, we just move ahead.

Forgive us for not asking for your insight. Fill us with your wisdom, that we may live lives of goodness and peace. Amen.

Silent prayer

When we come before God in humility and honesty, God draws near to us with forgiveness and renewed blessing. Thanks be to God!

SCRIPTURE READING Proverbs 31:10-31

A woman of strength who can find?

She is far more precious than jewels.

The heart of her husband trusts in her,
and he will have no lack of gain.

She does him good and not harm
all the days of her life.

She seeks wool and flax
and works with willing hands.

She is like the ships of the merchant;
she brings her food from far away.

She rises while it is still night
and provides food for her household
and tasks for her female servants.

She considers a field and buys it;
with the fruit of her hands, she plants a vineyard.

She girds herself with strength
and makes her arms strong.

She perceives that her merchandise is profitable.
Her lamp does not go out at night.

She puts her hands to the distaff,
and her hands hold the spindle.

She opens her hand to the poor
and reaches out her hands to the needy.

She is not afraid for her household when it snows,
for all her household are clothed in crimson.

She makes herself coverings;
her clothing is fine linen and purple.

Her husband is known in the city gates,
taking his seat among the elders of the land.

She makes linen garments and sells them;
she supplies the merchant with sashes.

Strength and dignity are her clothing,

and she laughs at the time to come.
She opens her mouth with wisdom,
and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.
She looks well to the ways of her household
and does not eat the bread of idleness.
Her children rise up and call her happy;
her husband, too, and he praises her:
“Many women have done excellently,
but you surpass them all.”
Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain,
but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.
Give her a share in the fruit of her hands,
and let her works praise her in the city gates.

MESSAGE

Wonder Women

1st Annual UMC in Wayne Rummage Sale Fashion Show

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

The 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.

WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH OUR GIVING

OFFERTORY

Give Thanks

***Give Thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son. X2***

***And now let the weak say “I am strong;” let the poor say, “I am rich”
Because of what the Lord has done for us. X2***

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

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

God of Love and Mercy, we bring these offerings with grateful hearts, honoring your enduring guidance in our lives. Just as Wisdom works with willing hands and provides for those in need, may these gifts be used to nurture and uplift our community. Inspire us to follow your teachings of kindness and generosity. Transform our contributions into acts of love and justice, spreading your light in the world. May we always give credit to your divine wisdom and grace. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

Give Thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks

CLOSING HYMN

O Lord, May Church and Home Combine

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BLESSING FOR THE JOURNEY

POSTLUDE

TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

**Please join us as we continue our worship
with food and conversation in fellowship hall**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS September 2024

CALENDAR OF EVENTS September 23rd – September 29th

Monday September 23rd

AA mtg @ 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall (Room 8)

Tuesday September 24th

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Wednesday September 25th

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Bible Study @ 12pm Fierce, BYOLunch

Grace Café @ 6:30pm BYO Dinner

Friday September 27th

Prayer and Devotion @ 7am on Facebook

Sunday September 29th

Worship @ 10am

SAVE THE DATE!

**Church Conference Sunday October 6th in Fellowship Hall at
11:45**



Coffee Hour Supplies Needed!!

We all love our fellowship time after service! To keep it going smoothly, we ask the congregation if able, to help supply these needs:

Coffee Cups (urgent)
Coffee
K-cups for the Keurig (all varieties)
Sweeteners/Sugar
Creamers



Rummage Sale and Bake Sale



Our Rummage and Bake Sale is swiftly approaching! Dates are September 27 from 6-8pm, and September 28 from 9am-3pm. We are so excited for this event and are still in need of volunteers to Bake and to help! *Please see the back table in the sanctuary or the sign-up sheet in the Narthex to lend a hand!*

We will also have BBQ items and Chili!



Emmie's Teddys

In honor of Emerson's first heavenly birthday, we are collecting NEW stuffies in our angel Emerson's honor to give to children who just had an angel baby brother or sister, and to give to children who are victims of a fire. These children need a cuddly friend and we hope to help as many families as possible. Thank you for helping in our mission

Love, Laci (mom), Anthony (Dad), and Jason (Big Brother)

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