

Praise at the Park

August 30, 2020, 9:00 a.m.

A TIME TO PREPARE

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

Rev. Beau Underwood

CALL TO WORSHIP

Marsha Graham

One: Life can leave us exhausted.

All: Our bones grow tired and our souls become dry.

One: We cry out to God in our distress.

All: Hear our cries, Lord!

One: We seek restoration. We seek revival.

All: From beyond us, from the power of God,

One: Our bones will live.

All: Our bones will live! Praise God!

HYMN

“Gather Us In”

Here in this place the new light is streaming, shadows of doubt are vanished away;

See in this space our fears and our dreamings,

brought here to You in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken. Gather us in, our spirits inflame.

Call to us now, and we shall awaken; we shall arise at the sound of our name.

Here we receive new life in the waters. Here we receive the bread of new birth.

Here you shall call Your sons and Your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion; give us to eat the bread that is You.

Nourish us well and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not just in buildings, small and confining, not in some heaven, light years away,

here in this place the new light is shining; now is God present and now is the day.

Gather us in and hold us forever; gather us in and make us Your own.

Gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

A TIME OF PRAYER

SCRIPTURE Psalm 102:1-5

HYMN RESPONSE ***“I Need Thee Every Hour”***

I need Thee every hour, most gracious Lord;

no tender voice like Thine can peace afford.

I need Thee, oh, I need Thee; every hour I need Thee.

O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

PETITION

SUNG RESPONSE I need Thee every hour, stay Thou near by;
temptations lose their pow'r when Thou art nigh.
I need Thee, oh, I need Thee; every hour I need Thee.
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

PETITION

SUNG RESPONSE I need Thee every hour, in joy or pain;
come quickly and abide or life is vain.
I need Thee, oh, I need Thee; every hour I need Thee.
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

PETITION

SUNG RESPONSE I need Thee every hour; teach me Thy will,
and Thy rich promises in me fulfill.
I need Thee, oh, I need Thee; every hour I need Thee.
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

A TIME TO ENCOUNTER THE WORD

SCRIPTURE Ezekiel 37:1-14

HOMILY / PASTORAL PRAYER

SONG ***"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"*** (tune: *Come Thou Fount*)

Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light.
Praise the One who frees the prisoners, turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the gospel, healing every dread disease,
calming storms and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.

Praise the One who blessed the children with a strong yet gentle word.
Praise the One who drove out demons with a piercing two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water to the deserts burning sand.
From this well comes living water quenching thirst in every land.

Praise the one true love incarnate: Christ, who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose for many that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our God has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory; praise the Lord who makes us one.

A TIME OF GRACE

INVITATION / WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION / PARTAKING

Ann Littlefield

A TIME TO RESPOND

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION / ANNOUNCEMENTS
BENEDICTION

SONG ***“Spirit of the Living God”***

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, move among us all.
Make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love:
humble, caring, selfless, sharing.
Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love.

POSTLUDE

With thanks to...

Vocalist:	Curtis Sudduth	Pianist:	Anne-marie Scott
Sound:	Jeff Huedepohl	Livestream:	Terri Lloyd
Facebook Greeter:	Kara Knight		

STAY CONNECTED THIS WEEK WITH FCCJCMO

Sunday, Aug. 30, 7:00pm Youth Meeting on Zoom

Sunday, Sept. 6, 9:00am Worship at Riverside Park Pavilion

ONGOING WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Tuesdays, 11:00am to 4:00pm Food Pantry, FCC Family Life Center; volunteers welcome!

Thursdays at 10:15am Prayer Call [freeconferencecall.com](https://www.freeconferencecall.com)

*Share joys and concerns and pray for and with one another and for the church.
Call (712) 775-7270 and enter access code 444928 to join the conference call.*

Thursdays at 11:00am OR 5:45pm Bible Study

*Meet in our church Zoom Room to study the Gospel of Luke. Identical material is covered
at both sessions. <https://zoom.us/j/2202286773>*

Saturdays, 3:30-4:30pm Connect with Youth Director Alexis Engelbrecht on Zoom

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