

**Be The Word- “Draw Near”**

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8(MEV)

<sup>13</sup> Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show his works by his good life in the meekness of wisdom. <sup>14</sup> But if you have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, do not boast and do not lie against the truth. <sup>15</sup> This wisdom descends not from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, and devilish. <sup>16</sup> For where there is envying and strife, there is confusion and every evil work.

<sup>17</sup> But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. <sup>18</sup> And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

**4** Where do wars and fights among you come from? Do they not come from your lusts that war in your body? <sup>2</sup> You lust and do not have, so you kill. You desire to have and cannot obtain. You fight and war. Yet you do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup> You ask, and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your passions.

<sup>7</sup> Therefore submit yourselves to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup> Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

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**Order of Worship September 19th, 2021 11:00 A.M. Service**



**Leading people to become devoted followers of Christ**



# Sunday Worship Service

## September 19th, 2021



### Order of Worship

Welcome & Announcements  
God's Light Comes To Us

Rev. Paul D. Broussard  
Ushers

### Call to Worship

Leader: Who among you is seeking the wisdom of God?

**People: We long to hear God's Word spoken to our hearts.**

Leader: Who among you is seeking God's bright and holy truth?

**People: We long to learn the ways of wisdom and righteousness.**

Leader: Who among you is seeking a Spirit-filled life?

**People: We long to live lives of holiness and light.**

Leader: God grants God's wisdom generously to all who ask.

Come near, people of God!

Let us worship in wisdom and truth.

**All: AMEN**

\*Affirmation of Faith

\* Gloria Patri

\*Opening Hymn

Apostles Creed - UMH page 881

"Glory Be to the Father" - UMH page 70

"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" - UMH page 514

### Prayers and Praise

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Paul D. Broussard

The Lord's Prayer

Dismissal for Children's Church

Prayer Response

"In the Garden" - UMH page 314

\*Presentation of the Scripture

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8(MEV)

David Slade

Response to the Scriptures

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" - UMH page 361

### Proclamation

Message

"Draw Near"

Rev. Paul D. Broussard

\*Decision Time

"Amazing Grace" - UMH page 378

\*Benediction

Rev. Paul D. Broussard

(\* Please stand if you are able

Hymns, lyrics, liturgy and scriptures will be displayed on the screen

### Prayer Requests

Our Pastor  
Leaders of our church  
Medical Professionals  
Military Personnel  
Family of Robert Dasher  
Gary Arms

**Crystal Beasley**  
Samantha Billeiter

Woody Brewster  
Earline Burke  
Irma Davis

Phillip Dickerson  
**Celina Eaddy**

**Harry & Reba Edwards**

Wes Fischer

**Rita Gilmer**

Tony Hickman  
Cindy Howard

**John Howard**  
Vel James

Genie Martin  
Clayton Morgan

Jackey Nease  
Francis Palmer

Robbie Pierce

**Family of Jamie Porter**

Ellen Rahn

Alexis Shearouse  
Kip Spence

Irene Stanford  
Laurie Stregles

Greg Stephens  
**Ben Surrency**

Joyce Wadsworth  
Alma Zettler

Dwight Zipperer  
Melissa Zipperer

\* Please let the church office know of any changes that

### Worship Participants

**Pastor:**  
Rev. Paul Broussard

**Lay Leadership:**  
Bruce Keener  
Diane Wilhelm

**Music:**  
Marianna Chopin

**Ushers:**  
David Slade  
Georgie Zittrauer

Looking Back at our  
Faithfulness  
**Sunday, September 12th, 2021**  
Tithes and Offerings \$3584.00

*The Altar Flowers are Given  
In loving Memory of  
Billy Boyles &  
In Recognition of  
POW/MIA*



Heavenly Father, You are the God of mercy and love. As we look at this troubled world, help us to understand and follow the words of the psalmist:

Do not fret because of evildoers, nor be envious of the workers of iniquity. For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb. Trust in the Lord, and do good; dwell in the land, and feed on His faithfulness. Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord, trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass. He shall bring forth your righteousness as the light, and your justice as the noonday. Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him; do not fret because of him who prospers in his way, because of the man who brings wicked schemes to pass. Cease from anger, and forsake wrath; do not fret—it only causes harm. For evildoers shall be cut off; but those who wait on the Lord, they shall inherit the earth. For yet a little while and the wicked shall be no more; indeed, you will look carefully for his place, but it shall be no more. But the meek shall inherit the earth, and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace. Psalm 37:1-11 NKJV

We give thanks for these promises in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, amen.

Diane Wilhelm, Prayer Ministry Coordinator