8:30 am & 9:45 am

PRELUDE *"Prelude and Fugue in D Minor"* *BACH*

***HYMN #400** *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing "* *NETTLETON*

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, let us gather in God's radiant presence.
People: We come trusting God to make us His love ambassadors in the world.
Leader: Christ calls us to lives of humble service and courageous compassion.
People: We come ready to be awakened, ready to be remade.
Leader: We cannot be Christ's hands and feet unless we grow into God's Beloved Community.
People: O Holy Spirit, we stand in that calling today.
All: Make us loving and send us as Your Beloved Community. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

MINISTRY OF MUSIC (BOTH)

"Behold Him" *BALOCHE / WONG*

SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 2:42-47; Matthew 18:2-4

Clare Cechner (8:30) Ann Hartmann (9:45)

SERMON *"Becoming a Kingdom Community"*

8:30 am & 9:45 am

***HYMN #557** *"Blest Be the Tie That Binds "* *DENNIS*

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" *LEIGHTON*

***DOXOLOGY #94** *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION (BOTH)

The United Methodist Church practices open communion. All who seek deeper relationship with God are invited and may participate. We are celebrating communion today by intinction, meaning when you come forward you will receive the bread and then you will dip the bread into the cup. In an effort to be more inclusive the bread will all be gluten free. If you prefer the pre-packaged communion elements they will be available at the tables on either side of the stewards.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Hymnal #13*

***HYMN #664** *"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"* *THE ASH GROVE*

***BENEDICTION**

***HYMN #328** *"Surely the Presence of the Lord "* *WOLFE*

***POSTLUDE** *"Prelude in C Major"* *BOEHM*

*Please rise in body or spirit, as you are able.

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

CLERGY

SERMON Rev. Cecil Thompson
Rev. Elizabeth Trigg

LITURGISTS Rev. Elizabeth Trigg (8:30 am)
Alan Baker (9:45 am)

ORGANIST & PIANIST Cecil Baughman

MINISTRY OF MUSIC Aidan Fischer, Hannah Watt, duet

NOTES

Epworth United Methodist Church extends a warm welcome to visitors, travelers, and new residents of the community every Sunday. The congregation believes that the presence of each one of you strengthens their witness of Christ. The church hopes that you will feel at home and comfortable at Epworth. Please join us for other Sunday morning activities.

WORSHIP SERVICES

8:30 AM | WORSHIP WITH WEEKLY HOLY COMMUNION
9:45 AM | TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE
11:00 AM | MODERN WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES

Children/Youth
PRESCHOOL
ages 3-5 9:45 & 11
GRADES K-5 9:45
GRADES 6-12 9:45
Donuts & The Bible
Nursery available at all services.

Adults
9:45 Coffee & Conversation
9:45 Adult Bible Study
11:00 Devotions, Discipleship & Discussions

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