

August 18, 2024

Welcome and Announcements:

Susie McCord

Music to Prepare Our Hearts:

Ryan Hetzer and Michael Snyder

"Deep River"
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Call to Worship: *

Jeannine Allen

Leader: Disciples of Christ, have you come today to receive a good word?

People: Yes! We come to receive a good word and blessing to carry with us into the world.

Leader: God blessed Solomon in a dream. Are you ready to dream?

People: Yes! We come to dream of God's blessings we will carry with us into the world.

Leader: God blesses us when we worship together. Are you ready to worship?

People: Yes! We come to worship God together as we share in the good word of God's grace.

Leader: Then, come! Let us worship with rejoicing!

People: Praise be to God who gives us wisdom and draws us together as the family of God! Amen.

Opening Hymn: *

"Be Thou My Vision"

UMH#451

Opening Prayer *

Jeannine Allen

O Lord our God, though we are as little children, not fully able to discern the spiritual forces coming in and out of our lives, you have chosen us as your people. Give your servants understanding minds to discern between the good and evil surrounding us each day, that we may choose what is good and pleasing in your sight. Amen.

A Time of Prayer

Pastoral Prayer
Time of Quiet for Personal Prayer

Pastor Philip

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. Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

Jeannine Allen

Then David rested with his ancestors and was buried in the City of David. He had reigned forty years over Israel--seven years in Hebron and thirty-three in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David, and his rule was firmly established. Solomon showed his love for the LORD by walking according to the instructions given him by his father David, except that he offered sacrifices and burned incense on the high places. The king went to Gibeon to offer sacrifices, for that was the most important high place, and Solomon offered a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, "Ask for whatever you want me to give you." Solomon answered, "You have shown great kindness to your servant, my father David, because he was faithful to you and righteous and upright in heart. You have continued this great kindness to him and have given him a son to sit on his throne this very day. "Now, LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David. But I am only a little child and do not know how to carry out my duties. Your servant is here among the people you have chosen, a great people, too numerous to count or number. So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?" The Lord was pleased that Solomon had asked for this. So God said to him, "Since you have asked for this and not for long life or wealth for yourself, nor have asked for the death of your enemies but for discernment in administering justice, I will do what you have asked. I will give you a wise and discerning heart, so that there will never have been anyone like you, nor will there ever be. Moreover, I will give you what you have not asked for--both wealth and honor--so that in your lifetime you will have no equal among kings. And if you walk in obedience to me and keep my decrees and commands as David your father did, I will give you a long life."

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God

Hymn of Reflection: *	“Lord, Speak to Me”	UMH #463
Message:	“Wisdom”	Pastor Philip
We Share Our Gifts		Pastor Philip
Music During Offering:	“We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise” <i>Kirk Deaman, Arr. Mark Hayes</i> ©1984 New Spring, Adm. by Brentwood-Benson Publishing <i>For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. CCLI#1088692</i>	Michael Snyder
Doxology: *	“Praise God From Whom all Blessings Flow”	UMH #95
Closing Hymn: *	“Seek Ye First”	UMH #405
Benediction:		
Music for Going Forth:	“God Be With You Till We Meet Again” <i>~Public Domain</i>	Michael Snyder (672)

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