



Love Lets Go of Power, Tile from Peace Wall in Hamilton, New Zealand

PRELUDE

Reassurance
Alicia Luttrell

Old Welsh Air

WELCOME AND PARISH NOTICES

Rev. Jennifer Porto

Please take this time to sign the attendance pad located in your pew, or scan the CONNECT QR code located on the back of this bulletin.

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY *Three chimes signify the presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

❖CALL TO WORSHIP

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

In you, we come home - to rest, to wrestle, to love, to be loved. We dwell in you.

Before the mountains were born, before you delivered the whole world, from everlasting past to everlasting future, you are God.

In you, we are home - we dream, we flourish, we fade, we rejoice. We dwell in you.

♪❖HYMN OF PRAISE

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

UMH 117

❖PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we confess: we do not live as those worthy to be entrusted with the good news of your grace; we relate to others callously as though we do not trust that gospel ourselves; we seek to please and manipulate, using flattery to gain praise and distinction; we use condescension as a mask to cover insecurity or a need for power. Our motives are mixed, impure. Lord, reassure and cleanse us, in Jesus' name. Amen.

❖PASSING OF THE PEACE *As forgiven and reconciled people, let us pass the Peace of Christ with one another.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord Jesus, your understanding of Scripture astonished and humbled all around you. Send your Spirit to illumine this Word that our understanding and wisdom may be increased. Amen.

❖ *Please Stand in body or spirit* **Bold Print** – *Congregation Reads Aloud*
Hearing amplifier devices are available. Please see an usher for assistance.

RESPONSIVE PSALTER Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17
Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.
Before the mountains were brought forth, Oor ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
You turn us back to the dust, and say, “Turn back, O mortal ones!”
For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night.
You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass which is renewed in the morning;
in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.
Return, O Lord! How long? Have pity on your servants!
Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us, and as many years as we have seen evil.
Let your work be manifest to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.
Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands;
Yes, establish the work of our hands.

🎵❖HYMN OF PREPARATION More Love to Thee, O Christ UMH 453

SCRIPTURE LESSON Deuteronomy 34:1-8
Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, ²all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, ³the Negeb, and the Plain — that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees — as far as Zoar. ⁴The Lord said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” ⁵Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord’s command. ⁶He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. ⁷Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. ⁸The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

May God bless the reading of the Word. **Thanks be to God.**

MORNING PRAYER AND 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.

🎵ACT OF PRAISE A Welcome Place Raney
Chancel Choir with Handbell Choir

❖SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. ²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you

received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead — Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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SERMON "I Wouldn't Stop There" Dr. Darren McClellan

❖AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed UMH 881
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. *universal

🎵❖GLORIA PATRI
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY Grace Greater Than Our Sins arr. Hartley
Handbell Choir

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

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

🎵❖HYMN OF INVITATION Lead Me, Lord UMH 473

❖BENEDICTION

❖POSTLUDE St. Anne arr. Monk

🌿 **FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Jeff Elder. Love always, Kelley, Jake, and Sydney.



WELCOME

We want to thank you for choosing to worship with us at Ashland Place United Methodist Church. If you have questions about church activities, church membership, or the Christian faith, we would love to speak with you.



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FINANCIAL UPDATE

Offering Received Last Sunday \$11,646



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ONLINE GIVING

THIS WEEK AT APUMC

9:00am	Ascension Worship Service (FH)
10:00am	Sunday School
11:00am	Traditional Worship Service (S)
4:00pm	Trunk or Treat (FH)
Monday	Men's Study Group, 7:00am (WP) Women's Bible Study, 10:00am (FH)
Tuesday	Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10:00am (FP) Virtual Book Club, 4:00pm (Zoom)
Wednesday	Handbell Practice, 5:00pm Choir Practice, 6:00pm
Thursday	Men's Bible Study, 7:00am (WP) Trivia Night, 7:00pm (206 State St.)
Friday	Office Closed

FP-Fellowship Parlor, S-Sanctuary, WP-Wisteria Parlor
B-Basement, DW-Dumas Wesley, 126 Mobile Street

CIRCLE OF CONCERN Please hold these persons in your prayers: Fay Adams, John Allen, John and Angela Bell, Jean Brown & son James Williams, Ann Cottrell, Braxton & Linda Lee Counts, Michelle Daigle (John Daigle's niece), Julie & Steve Dugan, Mihyon Ellis, Phillip Fields, Bruce Finley, Marcia Golson, Holly Hastings (Dee Dee Cook's sister), Diane Holub (Angela Prine's mother), Barbara Hunt, Libba Lyon, Julie McLeod, Jean McCutchen, John McMurphy, Sara Robinson, Tom Root, Mary Davis Rutledge, Nancy Scott, Lonn Spencer, Lance Tanner, Sandy Tones, Merrill Whitener, Kathryn Willingham, and all caregivers (**new concern this week*)

APUMC PRESCHOOL is looking for a K2 teacher and substitute teachers. Please spread the word. More information is in your newsletter.

PUMPKIN PATCH WITH DWUMC

Thank you to those who volunteered at Dauphin Way UMC's pumpkin patch this week. The weather was beautiful, and we were able to raise money for the United Appeal Fund.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Our annual trunk or treat is TODAY from 4-5:30pm inside the Fellowship Hall. There will be food, games, face painting, a bounce house, and more. Come set up a trunk (table) and bring your friends!

MINISTRY FAIR

Join us for a Ministry Fair on Sunday, November 8 at 10:00am and explore the many ways to get involved at Ashland Place UMC! Learn about the ministries and missions of our church, meet those who serve, and discover opportunities to share your gifts, connect with others, and make a difference.