

LISBON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 17, 2025

Kingdomtide 10

PRELUDE and TIME OF QUIET REFLECTION

WORDS OF GREETING

A Time of Praise

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Beloved, we gather today as inheritors of faith in God's salvific work, a faith handed down to us over generations that we claim and proclaim today in this community.

ALL: By faith, we follow God's call as we journey toward a better country.

Leader: By faith, our grandparents, parents, aunts, uncles, neighbors, and friends shared God's love with us, a love that longs to draw us all as members of the Body of Christ.

All: By faith, we follow God's call as we journey toward a better country.

Leader: By faith, we remember the story today, the story of God's desire for all creation to be reconciled to God and one another.

ALL: By faith, we follow God's call as we journey toward a better country.

Leader: By faith, we carry the faith forward, building a community of belonging, provision, and care as we journey with God toward a better country.

All: By faith, we gather to nourish and encourage one another on the journey toward a better country as we build God's already-but-not-yet kingdom here and now. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN *Amazing Grace* (vs. 1-4) # 378

UNISON PRAYER Eternal God, you create us and you sustain us. Be here with us now as we worship you, we pray. Teach us that nothing else can support us like you support us. As you

share your goodness with us, teach us to share that goodness as Christ did in all the world. As you lavish your love upon us, help us to receive that love and share it with others as you call us to do. Amen.

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 22 (response 2)

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Act of Confession and Pardon

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION Lord Jesus, in the quiet of our hearts, we seek the solace that comes from confession. Help us to lay bare our burdens before You, embracing Your mercy and forgiveness. May we find peace in the release of our sins, and may Your love wash over us, renewing our spirits. Guide us to live in harmony with ourselves and others, reflecting Your grace. Amen.

TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. We come convinced of many things but trusting very few. Holy God of limitless surprises, meet us here in this place, as we touch that which we cannot see, that which we have not dared to hope. Amen.

Hearing God's Word

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 1:10-20 (pg. 630)

HYMN SING of CONGREGATIONAL FAVORITES

EPISTLE READING Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 (pg.225)

GOSPEL READING Luke 12:32-40 (pg.75)

SERMON *Faith and Hope in All Things!!*

HYMN *My Hope is Built* # 368

Responding To God's Word

A TIME OF PRAYER

Joys and Concerns and Time of Silent Prayer
Blessing of the School Supplies
The Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer # 895
Prayer Response *Lord, Listen to Your Children....* # 2193

RECEIVING OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

Offertory and *Doxology # 95
*Prayer of Dedication

*CLOSING HYMN *Here I Am, Lord* # 593

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORDS OF BENEDICTION Children of God, by faith, God has brought us this far. Go now in the blessing of the God who goes before you and behind you, surrounding you on all sides with grace as we journey toward a better country in our neighborhood, our community, and beyond. Amen.

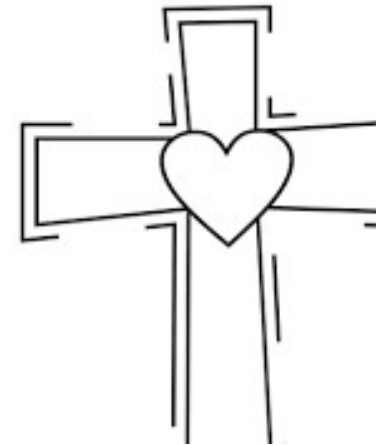
*SUNG BENEDICTION *Let Us Now Depart in Peace* # 668

*POSTLUDE

Today's Worship Leaders

Sue White, Lay Reader
Dean Logan, Video
Debbie Greim, Organist
Barbara Lavigne, CLM Candidate

***Boldly Caring for our
Community***



Grounded in God's Love

Lisbon United Methodist Church
welcomes, nurtures, and serves
all people
with the love of Christ.