

Our mission at Methodist Temple is to put our faith into action and to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

## Message Notes

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## Traditional Worship



ALIVE in the  
SPIRIT



September 3

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Merrilyn Governor, piano

## WELCOME

## PRELUDE

"Awake, Awake to Love and Work" by W. Held

## CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: When race, gender, class, and nation divide us,

**People: Come, Holy Spirit, make us one.**

Leader: When loneliness overcomes us,

**People: Come, Holy Spirit, make us family.**

Leader: When greed, shame, and hatred lead us astray,

**People: Come, Holy Spirit, call us back to You.**

## CHORAL INTROIT`

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

## \*CHIMES & SERVICES OF LIGHT

## \*HYMN #192

"There's a Spirit in the Air"

## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you**

Leader: Please turn to those around you and pass the peace of Christ

## CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us enter a space of silent prayer and reflection.

## LORD'S PRAYER

## GIVING TITHES & OFFERINGS

"O Living Breath of God " by V. Friska/B. Culli

## \*DOXOLOGY

#95 in Hymnal

## ANTHEM

"Wings Like Eagles" by Allen Pote

## KIDZ MOMENT

## \*SCRIPTURE READING

John 3: 1-8

## HYMN #347

"Spirit Song" (stanza 1 only)

## MESSAGE

"The Spirit is Moving!"

## COMMUNION

"The Great Thanksgiving" UMH pg.17-18

## \*HYMN #500

"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

## \*CHIMES & SERVICE OF LIGHT

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

"Oh, Love, How Deep" by B. Culli

\*Please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices.

\*The cross (†) designates when the congregation will please stand.

\*Worshippers who find standing difficult are invited to remain seated.

## PRAYER CONCERNS: Rick Durgy

Today's Sanctuary flowers are given by Phil and Jan Kinsey to the glory of God in loving memory of Marge Kinsey and Ken Jones.

Today's choral selections are provided by the Summer Choir under the direction of Joan Nevill. Organist: Barbara Waite; Communion Music provided by Merrilyn Governor, piano

USHERS: Kathy Zelle, Chuck Taylor, Warren Heinsohn, Jack Buttrum, Ed Ancona  
NEXT WEEKS USHERS: Greg & Linda Stilwell, Chuck Taylor, Jacque Hardin, Nelson & Joyse Rivers

GREETERS: Patricia Helm, Sue Anderson, Mary Lockett  
NEXT WEEKS GREETERS: Marty VanStone, Betty Schofield, Carla Bolin, Wanda Erwin

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13 "Pray then like this: '**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 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.**'"

## SCRIPTURE READING: John 3:1-8

1 Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. 2 He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." 3 Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." 4 Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" 5 Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. 6 What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' 8 The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

## SCRIPTURE LESSONS

**MONDAY:** John 3.16-18

**TUESDAY:** John 3.19-21

**WEDNESDAY:** Acts 2.1-4

**THURSDAY:** Romans 6.1-5

**FRIDAY:** Romans 6.6-11

**SATURDAY:** Romans 6.12-14