

August 24, 2020 United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections."

How to Stop Living a Life of Regrets

1. God loves us
2. Repentance is real
3. He forgives and forgets...and so must we
4. The experiences we go through can make us stronger if we learn the lessons along the way
5. God can unlock our potential if we allow Him to

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August 24, 2025- 10:30 a.m.
11th Sunday after Pentecost
Welcome All!

We are pleased that you are worshipping with us either on YouTube Live or in the Sanctuary.

**Congregation, please stand if able*

PRELUDE

Tom Hoehn

Point to Ponder: No amount of regret changes the past. No amount of anxiety changes the future. Any amount of gratitude changes the present.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come now to worship with confidence before our God for we know that nothing can separate us from the love of God. Hunger cannot. Hardship cannot. Death cannot. People cannot. The ways of the world cannot. Nothing in all creation can separate us from the love of God. So then, let us worship our most amazing God!

***SONG OF PRAISE**

No. 420

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENT

Rudy Hyde

CALL TO CONFESSION

Pastor Melissa

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Eternal God, you have set forth the way of life for us in Jesus of Nazareth. We confess that we have been slow to learn from his example. You have spoken to us and called us, and we have not followed. Your beauty has been expressed in

the world around us, and we have been blind. You have stretched out your hands to us through our brothers and sisters, and we have passed by. We have taken great benefit with little thanks. We have been unworthy of your self-giving love. Forgive us, O God, and grant that we may be more faithful and constant in our love and service.

A moment of silence with God

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Amen.

SONG OF PRAYER

TFWS 2133

"Give Me a Clean Heart"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

followed by THE LORD'S PRAYER

YOUR GIVING MAKES A DIFFERENCE

OFFERTORY PRAYER: Great and eternal God, we have been striving to run the race and striving to keep the faith. We bring our love to you and our loyalty to the church. We pray that your blessing upon these gifts may enable us and our church and your great Spirit to be a beacon of light and love to all the world; in our Lord Jesus' name. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Tom Hoehn

***DOXOLOGY**

Scripture for the Month of August

Psalms 116:7

Let my soul be at rest again, for the Lord has been good to me.

Psalms 116:7

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Violet Thompson

Luke 18:9-14

Liturgist: This is the Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

Pastor Melissa

"The Power of Regret"

***SONG OF GOING FORTH**

TFWS 2133

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor: Our gathered worship has ended, but our race goes

on.

People: The faith we celebrate here continues to be the

faith we keep out there.

Pastor: As you have poured yourself out in worship – in
and in prayer, in fellowship and in unity – now may
we

go to pour ourselves out in service to the world God
loves.

**People: We will follow Jesus right out the doors so
we**

**can be the witness that God is at work in the
world.**

Pastor: Go with God, in the name of the Father and of
the

Son and of the Holy Spirit..

**.People: Submit to God and God will bring the best
out**

of you.

POSTLUDE

Tom Hoehn

The PAST is where you
learned the lesson
The FUTURE is where you
apply the lesson.

Don't GIVE UP
in the middle!

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