Order of Worship for Sunday, August 14, 2022 Final Thoughts: Leaning on a Great Cloud

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING WORDS Our ancestors, and all who have come before, have set a path for us. How can their example spur us on?

SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE

† CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: Long ago a vineyard was planted. The ground was prepared, and all was made ready.
- P: But the vines grew wild, the ground was unable to support the wild grapes.
- L: What happened in that place of promise?
- P: People forgot the One who planted the vineyard. They chose their own ways and failed.
- L: Let us again turn to the Lord, who will again plant, prune, and cause us to grow in faithfulness.
- P: Let us open our hearts to God, trusting in God's ways and God's word.

† OPENING PRAYER

Lord of light and life, you have called us this day to open our hearts, our minds, our spirits to hear your words of encouragement, healing, and hope. Give us patience and willingness to serve you in all that we do. In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

† OPENING HYMN Faith of Our Fathers UMH #710

BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS - 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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Run with Endurance Based on Hebrews 12:1-2

JOYS AND CONCERNS - (The Lord's Prayer "trespass")

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Isaiah 5:1-7 // Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

MESSAGE Leaning on a Great Cloud

THE SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE UMH p. 12

- Confession and Pardon
- The Great Thanksgiving
- The Bread and the Cup
- † CLOSING HYMN For All the Saints, Who from Their Labors Rest UMH #711

† COMMISSION & BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- August 18 Ladies Coffee & Conversation at St. James UMC 9:30am, all ladies welcome!
- August 19-27 Grange Fair Please keep in mind that the pastor's cellphone doesn't always work well during this time because she lives near the fairgrounds and is often at her tent on L street. Email or call her home phone 814-364-9318. Pastor Theresa will be on vacation Aug 21-24 but will be available for urgent pastoral needs.
- August 28 Blessing of the Backpacks; students, faculty, staff, bring your bags for blessing and receive a gift to remind you through the school year that you are blessed!
- Our fall series "Emerging Heroes" begins Sept 4th, more to come.
- Pastor Theresa will be on vacation September 26-28.
- October 15 Fall cleaning day at St. James starts at 8:30am. Refreshments and coffee provided! The focus is to de-clutter, recycle and re-home many of the items in the basement. St. James folks, if you have suggestions for re-homing these items, which includes many silk flowers and arrangements, please share your thoughts with a trustee or administrative board member.
- October 23 4:30pm Church members are encouraged to attend our Charge Conference hosted at Sprucetown UMC. Full church members, led by our District Superintendent Rev. Brenda Leigey, will approve reports, officers and more for the past and coming year. Please plan to attend.
- October 24 PV Charge Staff Parish Relations Committee meeting 7pm at St. James in Coburn, subject to change.

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A Preacher's Guide to Lectionary Sermon Series Thematic Plans for Years A, B, and C Vol. 2, and The Abingdon Worship Annual.