

## *Gathering*

Prelude Emma Lou Diemer  
“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”  
 Dr. Katie Meloan, *organ*

Welcome Rev. Aaron Logan  
*Please take a moment to let us know you are here.  
 If you are a returning guest or member, text your name(s) to (940) 461-8280.  
 If you're a first-time guest, text “VIP.”*

### Call to Worship\*

*Leader:* When Jesus was gathered with the people, the house was filled, and there was no room left.  
*People:* **Yet faith found a way into His presence.**  
*Leader:* Four friends carried a man in need and refused to let obstacles keep them from Christ.  
*People:* **We come today with faith, trusting that Jesus welcomes all who seek Him.**  
*Leader:* Seeing their faith, Jesus spoke words of grace, healing, and forgiveness.  
*People:* **We come before Him with our burdens, our hopes, and our need for mercy.**  
*Leader:* Let us draw near to the One who sees our faith, knows our hearts, and has power to make us whole.  
*People:* **With gratitude and expectation, we worship the Lord together. Amen.**

Hymn\* 57  
“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

1. **O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise,  
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!**
2. **My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.**
3. **Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;  
‘tis music in the sinner’s ears, ‘tis life, and health, and peace.**
4. **He breaks the power of canceled sin, he sets the prisoner free;  
his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.**
5. **He speaks, and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive;  
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.**
6. **Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ;  
ye blind, behold your Savior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy.**
7. **In Christ, your head, you then shall know, shall feel your sins forgiven;  
anticipate your heaven below, and own that love is heaven.**

### An Order for the Celebration of a New Pastoral Appointment

*Leader:* ...Brothers and sisters in Christ, as a people committed to participate in the ministries of the Church by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness, will you who celebrate this new beginning support and uphold Aaron in these ministries?  
*People:* **We reaffirm our commitment to support you with our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.**  
*Leader:* How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger  
*People:* **who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation.**  
*Leader:* Let us pray...

Special Music

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

Young

Chancel Choir

*From all that dwell below the skies. Let the Creator's praise arise.  
Let the Redeemer's Name be sung. Through every land, by every tongue.  
Eternal are Thy mercies Lord. Eternal truth attends Thy word.  
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore. Till suns shall rise and set no more.  
From all that dwell below the skies. Let the Creator's praise arise.  
Let the Redeemer's Name be sung. Through every land, by every tongue.*

Congregational Prayer

Jessie Smith

**Gracious and loving God, We come before you today as people in need of your presence and power. As the crowd gathered around Jesus in Capernaum, we have come to hear Your word and to draw near to You. Lord, we confess that there are times when obstacles stand in our way—fear, doubt, pride, worry, and the burdens of this life. Yet we thank You for the example of the friends who carried the paralyzed man to Jesus. Give us a faith that perseveres when the way seems blocked and a love that carries others into your presence through prayer, encouragement, and compassion. Make us a church that bears one another's burdens, welcomes those in need, and faithfully brings people to Christ. May our faith not remain hidden but be demonstrated in acts of love and service. We thank You that You are the Savior who sees us, knows us, and responds with mercy. Strengthen our faith and draw us closer to You as we worship today. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

Call to Prayer and Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer and the 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.**

## *Proclamation*

Hymn\*

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

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*During the last verse of the hymn, children of all ages are encouraged to come to the front of the church for the Children's Sermon.*

- 1. Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and power.**  
*Refrain: I will arise and go to Jesus; he will embrace me with his arms;  
in the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.*
- 2. Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;  
true belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.**
- 3. Come ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall;  
if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.**
- 4. Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;  
all the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him.**

Children's Sermon for All Ages

Kim English

*Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to attend Children's Church after the Children's Sermon in the Hospitality Center (Room 110).  
Parents, please pick up your child in the Hospitality Center after worship.*

Scripture Mark 2:1-5 36  
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Eyes Up* Rev. Aaron Logan

## *Response*

Affirmation of Faith\* The Apostles' Creed 881; Davis Cargal

**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.**

Act of Praise\* 70

**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.**

Receiving of the Tithes and Offerings

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To give online visit [www.fumcwf.org/donate](http://www.fumcwf.org/donate)  
Mail gifts to FUMC, P.O. Box 2125, Wichita Falls, TX, 76307*

Offertory "Then Sings My Soul" McDonald

Chancel Choir  
*O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed  
When through woods and forest glades I wander  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee  
How great Thou art  
And when I think that God, His Son not sparing  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died to take away my sin  
When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim, "My God how great Thou art"  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee  
How great Thou art*

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.

## *Sending Forth*

Invitation to Christian Discipleship\*

Hymn\*

“The Summons” v. 1, 2, 5

*The Faith We Sing* 2130

1. Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
2. Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?
5. Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Benediction\*

Postlude

“Festive March”  
Dr. Katie Meloan, *organ*

Murray C. Bradshaw

\*The Congregation will please stand.

Please ask ushers for assistive hearing devices if needed.

Children are always welcome in worship, but if needed, ask an usher for directions to the Nursery. Additionally, the 10:30 service is televised into a “Family Room” area for parents and children, located in the Chapel Entrance Prayer Room.

Thank you for silencing your electronic devices, and for not using flash photography during the worship service.

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### **Upcoming at FUMC**

**Welcome Reception** Join FUMC in welcoming Rev. Aaron Logan today after worship in the Atrium! Light refreshments will be served.

**Fellowship Night** is the second Tuesday of every month. Women of all ages are invited to Women's Fellowship on Tuesday, July 14, at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Men of all ages are invited to Men's Fellowship on Tuesday, July 14, at 6:00 p.m. at Pioneer 3 (1100 Sheppard Access Rd #3).

**Thursday Morning Meet and Greet** Come say hello to Rev. Aaron Logan on Thursday mornings in the Hospitality Room (110) from 7:00 to 8:30 a.m. Coffee and donuts provided. Please use the Chapel Entrance for this event.

**Open Altar Flower Date** Altar Flowers are given each week to the Glory of God and in honor or memory of loved ones by a member or guest of the church. The following date in July is available: July 19. If you're interested in giving flowers for the altar, please contact the church office.

**Open Table** Get together with FUMC downtown this summer! Our final Open Table of the Summer is on July 22. All adults and families are invited to join FUMC at the Wichita Falls Brewing Co. for a fellowship gathering from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Enjoy a drink or food from their craft kitchen and good company.

**Children's Day of Service** Children 3rd through 5th grade (complete) are invited to register for our Children's Day of Service on August 4. BYOLunch. Children will serve at the Wichita Falls Area Food Bank in the morning and at Interfaith Outreach Services in the afternoon. Advanced registration is required. Register online at [www.FUMCWF.org/CHILDREN](http://www.FUMCWF.org/CHILDREN). For more information, contact Kim English at [kenglish@fumcwf.org](mailto:kenglish@fumcwf.org).

**Confirmation 2026-2027** Incoming 6th through 8th graders who have not yet been confirmed may participate in this upcoming Confirmation Class that will begin in August 2026. Confirmation is an opt-in program, children will not be automatically enrolled. Visit [www.FUMCWF.org/CONFIRMATION](http://www.FUMCWF.org/CONFIRMATION) for more information on Confirmation at FUMC. Contact Kim English at [kenglish@fumcwf.org](mailto:kenglish@fumcwf.org) to sign up.

**Project Transformation** Volunteers are needed throughout the summer to read one-on-one with students at Project Transformation (PT). Other PT volunteer opportunities include providing dinner for college interns and assisting with scheduled Family Fun Nights. Contact the church office to sign up or for more information.