

which have been paid for with the precious blood of your Son Jesus. Sanctify us and work righteousness in us through your Holy Spirit; and bring us into everlasting life.

Thank you, Father, for saving us and receiving us unto yourself.

Father, we thank you for this work of love and we believe you are granting all of these things to us right now, and look for your deliverance now in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and through the power of the Holy Spirit **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(liturgy on screen)

Minister: The Peace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be with you always.

People: **And also with you** (Passing of the Peace)

CORPORATE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Creed)

THE BLESSING & SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

In the name of Jesus Christ we now go, Amen!

Announcements

Sunday, September 3rd: There will be a sermon online ONLY that day, and no in-person gathering at church. Mark your calendars.

Authorities we want to remember specifically in prayer

8th Circuit US Court of Appeals- Hon. Raymond Gruender
MO Eastern Appellate District- Judge Christian Stevens
Judge Thomas Clark II
St. Charles County Recorder of Deeds- Mary Depmsey



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Purpose Statement:

We exist to glorify God by serving as a conduit for the grace of God whereby faith the Love, Life, Lordship and Leadership of the Kingdom of Heaven is revealed and expanded to all nations.

Mission Statement:

We desire to be a multi-cultural, multi-generational conduit of the grace of God to be used to fulfil our purpose, for the glory of God.

Mailing address:

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Weekly Corporate Gatherings:

Sunday Worship Service- 10:00 AM
Discipleship Groups (times vary)

Staff:

Rev. Michael Hammond, Sr. - President & Senior Pastor
Rose Hammond- Receptionist

Order of Worship
Sunday, August 13, 2023

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

(**Congregation** responses spoken together appear in **bold** print.)

OPENING DECLARATION & PRAYER

Good morning!! Welcome to a celebration of God's love for us!! You've come to the right place. This is a place where all of us can seek God's presence and share our deepest innermost concerns with God.

Prayer - Patient and persistent God, we thank You for calling us here today. Keep our hearts and minds open for Your words of transforming love. In Jesus name we pray, and we all agree by saying **Amen**.

WORSHIP IN SONG (click on the song title for a YouTube track)

[This is Your House](#) [Every Praise](#) [Holy Forever](#)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy and gracious God, may Your Holy Spirit give us a spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that, with the eyes of our hearts enlightened, we may know that to which Christ has called us, and the greatness of His power for those who believe. In Jesus name we pray, and we all agree by saying, **Amen**.

SCRIPTURE READING: Job 38:4-18 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

People: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word (reflection)

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 18:1-6 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

People: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word (reflection)

WORSHIP IN SONG: Hymn of the Month

[Blessed Be the Name](#) | View the lyrics [here](#)

SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 10:5-17 (NASB95)

Reader: This is the Word of God.

People: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word (reflection)

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 14:22-33 (NASB95)

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, Lord Christ

SERMON (10:45 a.m.) <https://www.facebook.com/fcmstl>

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

Isaiah 55:6-7 (NAS95) Seek the LORD while He may be found; Call upon Him while He is near. ⁷Let the wicked forsake his way And the unrighteous man his thoughts; And let him return to the LORD, And He will have compassion on him, And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon.

Let us humbly confess our sins with one another to Almighty God. (Quiet confession)

Heavenly Father, we come to tell you what you already know. We have sinned. What we have done goes against your Word, and our own conscience reminds us of it.

We also confess that we are going through a storm. Some of them are of our own making, and others are simply a part of living in a fallen world.

According to your great love and mercy, please forgive us of our sins, (prayer continues on the next page)

No Matter the Storms In Your Life...

Matthew 14:22-33 (NASB95)

13 August 2023

Pastor Michael Hammond Sr.

1. _____ can get to you (vv. 22-27).

- Question: Do you see each trial that you face as simply another trial or as another _____ for God to show up and show off?
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2. _____ can get to God (vv. 28-29).

- When God _____ you to do something, you can do it no matter what.
 - All it takes is a _____.
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3. God will _____ you if He is your _____ and you _____ on Him (vv. 30-31).

- Question: We have to ask ourselves, “What is our goal? Why do we want to be delivered? Who or what are we trying to get to?”

4. God’s deliverance will bring _____ and affirms who He is (v. 32-33).

- Peter no doubt had peace when Jesus pulls him up from sinking, and both he and disciples had (_____ and _____) peace.
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The Theology of Resting in God

By Oswald Chambers

Why are you fearful, O you of little faith? —Matthew 8:26

When we are afraid, the least we can do is pray to God. But our Lord has a right to expect that those who name His name have an underlying confidence in Him. God expects His children to be so confident in Him that in any crisis they are the ones who are reliable. Yet our trust is only in God up to a certain point, then we turn back to the elementary panic-stricken prayers of those people who do not even know God. We come to our wits’ end, showing that we don’t have even the slightest amount of confidence in Him or in His sovereign control of the world. To us He seems to be asleep, and we can see nothing but giant, breaking waves on the sea ahead of us.

“...O you of little faith!” What a stinging pain must have shot through the disciples as they surely thought to themselves, “We missed the mark again!” And what a sharp pain will go through us when we suddenly realize that we could have produced complete and utter joy in the heart of Jesus by remaining absolutely confident in Him, in spite of what we were facing.

There are times when there is no storm or crisis in our lives, and we do all that is humanly possible. But it is when a crisis arises that we instantly reveal upon whom we rely. If we have been learning to worship God and to place our trust in Him, the crisis will reveal that we can go to the point of breaking, yet without breaking our confidence in Him.

We have been talking quite a lot about sanctification, but what will be the result in our lives? It will be expressed in our lives as a peaceful resting in God, which means a total oneness with Him. And this oneness will make us not only blameless in His sight, but also a profound joy to Him