**The Offertory** Andante (F.J. Haydn)

\*Doxology UMH 95

**Announcements** 

Council Meeting after Church

**Sending Forth** Where He Leads Me

I Will Follow UMH 338

\*Benediction and Blessing

\*Blessing Song Sent Forth by God's Blessing

UMH 664 v. 1

**Postlude** Lift High the Cross

\* Please stand

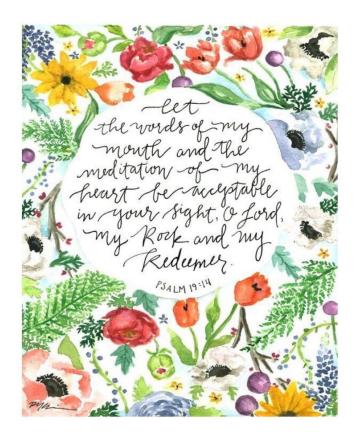
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## September 15, 2023 - 10:30 am "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors"

## Welcome

Celebration of Birthdays/Anniversaries

**Prelude** 

Surely the Presence of the Lord is In this Place

\*Invitation to Worship

Wisdom cries in the streets!

We are not listening, so we do not understand.

Wisdom cries in the streets! The words of God's law are proclaimed.

We are not listening, so how can we obey? Wisdom cries in the streets! "Declare who Jesus is!"

Too often, our tongues engage before our brains. Too often, we speak easy words, rather than the truth.

Let us pray, then, for wisdom and understanding.

God of Law and Grace, through your son Jesus Christ you provide all we need for abundant and eternal life. But your Holy ways are not our ways; when they do not meet with *our* notions of how things should be, we reject them, and you. Forgive us. Guide us. Lead us firmly back to your path of wisdom and life. Amen.

\*Opening Hymn God of Grace and God of Glory UMH 577

**Psalm of the Day #19** (responsive) UMH 750

**Reading the Word** James 3:1-12 Mark 8:27-38

Response

The Word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God!

**Hymn of Preparation** Morning has Broken UMH 145

**Meditation** 

The Prayers of the People

Our Joys and Concerns

Prayer
The Lord's Prayer

**Invitation To Offering**