### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- \* Bible study at Rose City Park, Aug 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. We will follow the lectionary readings that I am preaching on, so we will go more in-depth into the scriptures. Please feel free to take notes on Sunday so that we can discuss on Wednesday morning.
- \* Next Sunday is Potluck Coffee Hour We need volunteers to make coffee and set the table.
- \* Nominations Committee Meeting Monday, August 21st at 5:00 pm.
- \* CHURCHWIDE RUMMAGE SALE- AUGUST 24-25-26: Set up will be on Aug. 23. Volunteers to set up, run, and clean up are always appreciated. Let Debbie Meservey know, if you are interested in assisting with this fundraiser. Deb is the lead on this event. More details to follow.
- \* Last Sunday's Offering \$1986

#### WORSHIP TEAM – This Week

LITURGIST — Terrilynn Hiben GREETER — Rod and Polly Mason ACOLYTE — James Clark USHERS — Jay Pennell and Fred Delaney CHILDREN'S WORD — COFFEE HOUR — Linda Graham

# WORSHIP TEAM - Next Week

LITURGIST — Abigail Reimer
GREETER — Jay and Deb Pennell
ACOLYTE — James Clark
USHERS — Jay Pennell and Fred Delaney
CHILDREN'S WORD — Terrilynn Hiben
COFFEE HOUR — Potluck!

### **Pastor: Helen Alford**

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Lay Leader: Terrilynn Hiben Staff-Parish Relations: Marva Hartman

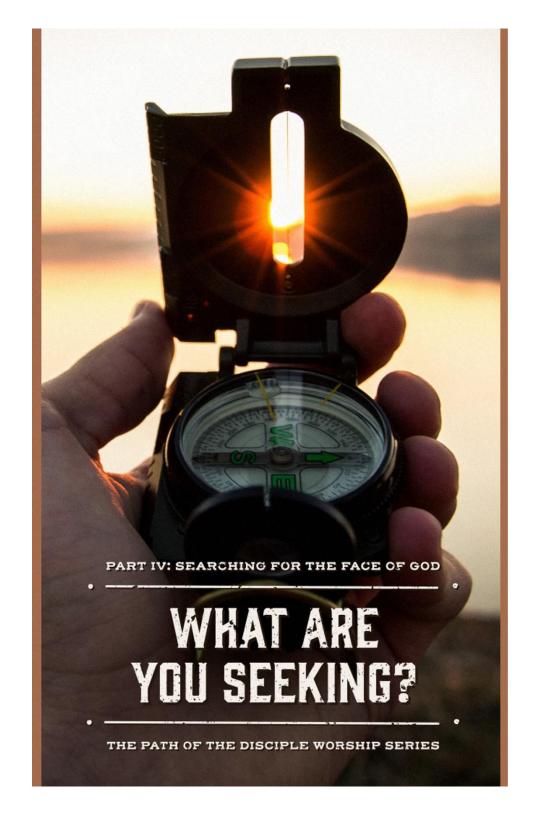
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**Building Reservations: Lee O'Connor** 

685-3896

Please remember if you want to use any of the buildings (family center, church and/or church basement) for any function (whether church related or not) you need to check with Lee to ensure the building has not already been reserved.



August 6, 2023 – Searching for the Face of God

WELCOME and OPENING PRAYER -

+ UMH #57 – O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

+ A CALL TO WORSHIP – Terrilynn Hiben

L. Beloved disciples, welcome. As we gather, what are you seeking?

P. We seek God's presence all around us.

L. Beloved disciples, if God's presence is all around us, what are you seeking?

P. We seek to recognize God's presence among us.

L. Beloved disciples, if God is among you, what are you seeking?

P. We seek God in the faces of family, friends, and neighbors.

L. Beloved disciples, if God is in the face of your neighbor, what are you seeking?

P. We seek God in the search and the work for peace and wholeness for all God's creation.

L. As we gather today, may we meet God in our seeking and in our finding.

All. Amen.

+ PASSING OF THE PEACE

VISITORS, BIRTHDAYS, ANNOUNCEMENTS - Terrilynn

SCRIPTURE READING - Matthew 14:22-33 - Terrilynn

PRAYER TIME -

JOYS and CONCERNS

INTERCESSARY AND PASTORAL PRAYER

LORDS PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE – TFWS #2160

Into my heart, into my heart, come into my heart, Lord Jesus; come in today, come in to stay; come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Forgiving God, the first offering you ask for is the giving of ourselves, loving you and others boldly, refusing to let our fear of the storms around us keep us from taking risks. Forgive us for times when you have called us to leave our places of comfort, and we've ignored the call. Forgive us when our giving has not grown beyond our safety zone, but you blessed our gifts and us anyway. For those times when we dared to put our foot outside the boat and then sank up to our knees, thank you for not taking your hand away. For all this, we give thanks in the holy name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

TITHES and OFFERINGS

+DOXOLOGY - UMH #95

+ UMH #474 - Precious Lord, Take My Hand

SERMON – Pastor: Helen Alford – What Are You Seeking?

+ UMH #512 – Stand By Me vs 1-4

BENEDICTION

+Congregation Please Stand (as you are able)

### **CONTINUING PRAYERS**

Harper, Natalie, George Savage, Dean, Mae Delaney, Krystal, John Nugent, Lee O, Carol and Denny, Rod's brother Roger, Pastor Helen and family, Military and First Responders, Search, Rescue, and Recovery, Doris, Sue, Dorothy