

Announcements

Epic of Eden. The Epic of Eden series continues through Sunday, November 14th. Tonight is Week 10. Below are the readings for Week 11.

Week 11 Readings (November 1-5):

- Monday: Judges 2:6-3:11
- Tuesday: Deuteronomy 17:14-20
- Wednesday: 1 Samuel 8:22, 9:11-2; 1 Samuel 15:10-11, 24-26; 1 Samuel 16:1-13; 1 Samuel 16:14-23
- Thursday: 2 Samuel 7
- Friday: 2 Kings 17:1-23, 24:1-4, 25:1-21; 2 Kings 17:7-23; Isaiah 9:2, 6-7; Ezekiel 37:1-28

Fall Forward. Daylight Saving Time ends a week from today. Be sure to set your clocks one hour ahead.

All Saints Sunday. A week from today, November 7th, is All Saints Sunday (tomorrow is All Saints Day) when we remember those who have passed before us. Please join us at either the 9:00 or 11:00 service as we honor those special people who were a part of our church family.

Eternals. The youth will be going to see the latest Marvel movie, Eternals, Sunday, November 7th. The cost is \$10.00 per person for dinner and the movie. Please let Jewelie know as soon as possible if you are going and if you are bringing a friend. There is space available for 30.

Covenant Sunday. Sunday, November 21st, is Covenant Sunday. You will be receiving a packet in the mail with information regarding how to make your commitment. If you do not receive one, please contact Sabrina.

Hanging of the Green. We will celebrate Hanging of the Green Sunday, November 21st, as we get ready for the Advent season and coming of the Christ Child. We will decorate the Fellowship Hall following the 9:00 service and will meet at 4:00 PM to decorate the Sanctuary. Let's celebrate being together Sunday evening and bring finger foods such as cookies to share with the group.

Becca Phillips. Daughter of Fred and Rose Phillips, Becca is getting married Sunday, December 4th. In lieu of a wedding shower, baskets will be available through November at each service for those wishing to give a love offering/gift.

Please Remember:

- A. You may put your offering in the plate, use Tithely by scanning the QR code under Ways to Give, or drop it off at the church office during the week or by mail.
- B. Worship services are live streamed on Facebook and YouTube. Watch at <https://www.facebook.com/fumcark> or <https://www.youtube.com/user/fumcark>.
- C. Face masks are optional but strongly encouraged.

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EPIC OF EDEN

The Place of Dwelling

Exodus 25:8-22



First United Methodist Church

Worship for the Lord's Day

October 31, 2021
23rd Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 Worship Service
Arkadelphia, AR

Welcome Brent Black

Opening Voluntary Kay McAfee
Alleluia from "Exultate Jubilate"
-by Ralph Vaughan-Williams

***Prayer of Confession & Invitation** Congregation
Our Father in heaven, it's me, [your name]. I have a sense of you and some things about you, but I want to actually know you. I confess I am a sinner. I have failed myself, others, and you in many ways. I know you made me for a purpose and I want to fulfill that purpose with my one life. I want to follow Jesus Christ. Jesus, thank you for the gift of your life, death, resurrection, and ascension on my behalf. I want to walk in relationship with you as Savior and Lord. Would you lead me into the fullness and newness of life I was made for? I am ready to follow you. Come, Holy Spirit, and fill me with the love, power, and purposes of God. I pray these things by faith in the name of Jesus. Amen.

***Hymn No. 585** *This Little Light of Mine* UMH

***Apostle's Creed**

***The Gloria Patri** UMH No. 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.

Children's Moment for Little Methodists. Amy Sonheim

Pastoral Prayer and Offering
The Lord's Prayer Congregation

The Offertory *Land of Rest* Kay McAfee
-by Gilbert Martin

*** The Doxology** UMH No. 95
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.

***Reading God's Word Out Loud**
Exodus 25:2, 8-9, 21-22 NIV

Hear the Word of the LORD

"Tell the Israelites to bring me an offering. You are to receive the offering for me from everyone whose heart prompts them to give."

"Then have them make a sanctuary for me, and I will dwell among them. Make this tabernacle and all its furnishings exactly like the pattern I will show you."

"Place the cover on top of the ark and put in the ark the tablets of the covenant law that I will give you."

There, above the cover between the two cherubim that are over the ark of the covenant law, I will meet with you and give you all my commands for the Israelites."

This is the Word of the LORD.
Thanks be to God.

Anthem *When I Can Read My Title Clear* Chancel Choir
-arr. John Purifoy

Sermon Pastor Randy
The Place of Dwelling
Exodus 25:8-22

***Hymn No. 2197** *Lord of All Hopefulness* TFWS

***Benediction/Blessing** Pastor Randy

Closing Voluntary *Toccata in D Minor* Kay McAfee
-by J.S. Bach

Sermon Outline

- I. **God remembers. God is faithful!**
- A. The promise – Genesis 22:15-18
- B. The fulfillment, part 1 – Exodus 2:23-25
- II. **The Law leads to, points to, and foreshadows His presence.** Exodus 19:3-24:18
- A. Teaches us about God. Exodus 19:3-24:18
1. "The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and stay here, and I will give you the tablets of stone with the law and commandments I have written for their instruction." Exodus 24:12
- a) God's law (guidance and direction) is to bring us close and keep us close in a deep relationship of love with Him?
- b) It was the rare OT believer who was able to *transform* motive, emotion and relation in their own life, so ultimately their behavior didn't change too much either.
- c) Thus, a new covenant was needed between God and His people that would transform lives.
- (1) That was Jeremiah's promise in 31:31-33.
- (2) Consider what Jesus said in John 13, 14 and 15.
2. What role does the Mosaic Law play in the lives of NT believers?
- a) Matthew 5:18
- b) Moral-ethical/ritual
- c) Jesus regularly calls us back to the *intent* of the Law.
- B. Trains us how to enter and remain in His presence. Exodus 25:8-22.