



West Main Baptist Church

September 3, 2023

*congregation standing; **bold print** indicates congregation reading in unison

PRE SERVICE MUSIC Mark Gourley

WELCOME Drew Herring

PRELUDE *So Fades the Lovely Blooming Flower* Mark Gourley
(On the Hymn-tune, DISTRESS) George Shearing

*CALL TO WORSHIP based on “We Are God’s People” by Bryan Jeffrey Leech Ethan Stephens
We are God’s people, chosen of the Lord,
born of the Spirit, established by the Word.
We have known the love of Jesus outpoured.
Now let us learn to return the gift of love! Let us worship the Lord!

*HYMN 255 *We Are God’s People* The Church

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Ethan Stephens
**Because we were made in the image and likeness of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
we are called to live as sisters and brothers.**

*RESPONSE 705 *Glory Be to the Father* The Church
**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.**
(As we sing, the children are invited to come forward for the children’s lesson)

CHILDREN’S LESSON Jennifer Clatterbuck
*(After the children’s lesson, preschool children through kindergarten are encouraged to follow
their leader to our Extended Session in the preschool area. Grades one and above remain in worship.)*

*HYMN 159 *Fairest Lord Jesus* The Church

PRAYERS Jennifer Clatterbuck

MEDITATION *Meditation on ST. ELIZABETH/CRUSADER’S HYMN* Mark Gourley
Michael Larkin, setting

SERMON “A Family” Drew Herring
Mark 3: 20-35

*HYMN 275 *Who Is My Mother, Who Is My Brother* The Church

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Kim Roberson

OFFERTORY Mark Gourley

*DOXOLOGY (Tune: *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*) The Church
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
O Praise Him! Alleluia. Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
O Praise Him! O Praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*BENEDICTION Drew Herring

POSTLUDE Mark Gourley

Thank you to Julian King for serving as our worship helper this morning.

Call Weekend 9/9-9/10: Come meet Sean Timmons, our candidate for the Associate Pastor for Youth/University Chaplain. There will be a youth family cookout on 9/9 and an all-church meet and greet in the fellowship hall at 10 A.M. on Sunday 9/10. More info. TBA!

FIRST WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER
of the 2023-24 School Year
September 13 @ 5:30 P.M.
Menu: Spaghetti, Salad, Bread & Dessert
Activities from 6:15-7:00 P.M.
*Cost of meal: \$6 for adults,
\$4 for kids (2-11), \$25 family max*

Sanctuary Choir rehearsal resumes 9/13 at 7:05. New singers are welcome!
Repairs are finished and we will be moving the pipes on Sat. 9/16-9:00 a.m. Call Mark if you can help.