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Welcome to the Cheshire United Methodist Church.

All are welcome (all means all)!

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 18, 2026

10:00 A. M.

PRELUDE

Rose Kim

OPENING PRAYER

WORDS OF WELCOME

The Pastor

♦CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: Jesus calls us away from the places of honor and toward the way of humility.

People: Renew our minds, O God, and teach us the way of Christ.

Leader: The world tells us to seek recognition and importance.

People: Jesus teaches us to make room for others.

Leader: At God's table, grace welcomes those who cannot repay.

People: We come as guests of grace, welcomed and loved by God.

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who humbled himself and became a servant for all.

All: Transform our hearts, that we may live like Jesus and walk humbly in his way.

Amen.

♦OPENING HYMN #395

“Take Time to be Holy”

♦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Gracious and generous God, We thank you that there is room for us at your table. You welcome us not because of our status, achievements, or ability to repay you, but simply because of your abundant grace. We thank you for Jesus, who chose humility over recognition, service over status, and love over self-interest. Thank you for every gift we have received, for every person who has made room for us, and for every opportunity you give us to make room for others. Renew our minds and reshape our hearts, that we may notice those who are overlooked, welcome those who are left out, and give without expecting anything in return. May our lives reflect the humility and hospitality of Christ, so that your table may grow wider and your grace may be known through us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

CONVERSATION WITH THE CHILDREN & THE LORD'S PRAYER

“Jesus Loves Me”

(ushers collect green prayer cards)

THE FIRST LESSON (p. 151 NT)

Romans 12:2

♦THE GOSPEL LESSON (p. 72 NT)

Luke 14:7-14 (responsive)

HYMN OF PREPARATION #2152 (TFWS)

“Change My Heart, O God”

THE SERMON

“LIVE LIKE JESUS: HUMBLE LIKE JESUS”

CHORAL ANTHEM

“I am Pressing on the Upward Way/Amazing Grace”

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY

◆Doxology #95, Prayer of Dedication and Altar Call

◆CLOSING HYMN #2130 (TFWS)

“The Summons”

◆THE BENEDICTION

◆PASSING OF THE PEACE

“Pass it On”

◆Stand, if you are able

Ambassador: Jim Jackson

Fellowship: Renee Poet, Claire Strand

Member Outreach: Marge Jordan

Prayer Cards: Jean Roeder

Nursery (0-5): Farai Grant

Promise Kids: Kris Grant, Brian Sullivan

Visual Arts Creator: Rhonda Pattberg

Visual Arts Engineer: Mark Gilleylen

Livestream Tech: Natalie Missakian

Counters: Carol Hotz, Joe Driscoll

Usher: Holly Carey

Announcements

There will be a **Pickleball Meet-up** this afternoon, October 18th, at 4:00 p.m. at Cheshire Park. See Tiffany Russo for more details.

Something New will be meeting on Tuesday, October 20th, at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

There will be a **CUMC Church Conference** held at Grace United Methodist Church in Southington on Saturday, October 24th from 10:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. We will be meeting as a Cooperative Parish. All are invited to attend.

With the success of our **Clothesline Fundraiser** continuing, we have raised \$9,414 to date! Way to go, Church!

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

Welcome!

We are a Welcoming and Reconciling congregation. Rooted in God's love, we affirm the dignity and worth of every person and seek to live Christ's call to compassion, justice, healing, and wholeness. We welcome people of all races, ages, genders, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, nationalities, abilities, family structures, and social or economic backgrounds into the full life and leadership of the church. We believe we can love alike even when we do not think alike, and we invite all to share in worship, ministry, fellowship, and the sacraments as we grow together in faith and love.

Who We Are . . .

We are a church family that welcomes all, regardless of political views or Christian perspectives, because we belong to the one family of God. Though we may not always agree, we commit to loving, forgiving, honoring our differences, and serving together as we live out the Gospel of God's love revealed in Jesus Christ. Guided by Micah 6:8, we strive to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.