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# July 30, 2023 + Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

#### Welcome

Prelude: Alex Seman

#### **Call to Worship**

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

# This is none other than the house of God and this is the gate of heaven.

The hour is coming, and now is,

When true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him, bless his name!

#### Come as a Child

#### **Affirmation of Faith**

We believe in the one God,

creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations,

the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love.

We believe in Jesus Christ,

God manifest in the flesh,

our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength.

We believe in the forgiveness of sins,

in the life of love and prayer, and in grace equal to every need.

We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New Testaments as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice. We believe in the church, those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service.

We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in human society, and in the family of God, where we are all brothers and sisters.

We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in the life everlasting. Amen

## Song of Faith:

**Scripture:** Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

**Message:** "The Kingdom of Heaven is Like. . . " Rev. Blaine Wimberly

Song of Faith:

## **Generosity Moment:**

## **Offertory Prayer**

Lord God, let us give until it helps the poor and needy, Let us love until it changes the abused and doubtful, And let us serve until it blesses the least and the oppressed through our tithes, time, talents, and testimony. Amen.

Musical Response: We Are an Offering

Announcements
Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People
Lord's Prayer

Song of Faith:

**Benediction** 

**Fellowship Time** 

## **Mountainside United Methodist Church**

## Mission

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of our community and the world.

## Vision

To be a thriving Christ-led people in the East Mountains, inviting all generations to a transforming experience of God's Grace.

WORSHIP + CONNECT + GROW + SERVE

# **Announcements and Calendar**

We are glad you are online with us today!
Please register your attendance and your joys and concerns in the chat box.

The McCurdy Mission Trip has been rescheduled for August 14-18. Contact Anne Merkley for more information.

Presentation on United Women in Faith (formerly United Methodist Women) at Mountainside on Saturday, August 12. Details to follow.

## **Church Events**

Monday, July 31 3:00 Teatime online

Tuesday, August 1

9:00 Holy Yoga in the gym with Connie

Wednesday, August 2

1:30-2:30 Line Dancing 5:00-7:00 Kids' Connection 6:00 Choir Practice

**Thursday, August 3** 

3:00 Teatime Online

Sunday, August 6

9:00 Live stream worship 9:00 Fellowship Sunday School (The Breakfast Club) 10:30 Worship in the Sanctuary

# **Community Events**

**Twelve Step Groups** 

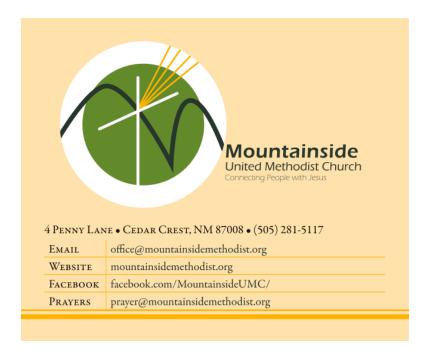
AA meets in the Fellowship Hall M, W, F noon; and T, Th 5:30 pm and Wednesday at 7 pm (men's group)
Al-Anon meets in the Fellowship Hall Friday 10:00 am

#### **Fitness**

Zumba in the gym Monday and Thursday at 9:00am Dance Aerobics in the gym Wednesday 9:00 am Dance Fitness in the gym Friday 9:00 am

## **Upward Extend**

Basketball Practice Tuesday and Thursday evenings in the gym



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