Prelude ~	Pam Campbell, Organist	Sermon	"I Don't Want to Grow Old"		ms UPDATED 740 Prayer Initiative (Thank you for stepping up your
Welcome & Announcements Worship Leader: Jason John	son	r Response	Part 10 of Series: With Courage a "Be Thou My Vision"		451 (Thank you yor stepping up you prayers for our congregation! Set your phones to remind yourself to stop at 7:40 am and/or 7:40 pm each day to pray for our church and the mission
Christ's Light Enters				and ministry we are called to do.	
Introit "May the Grace of Chri	"May the Grace of Christ our Savior" Choir		Prayers: Celebrations and Co	Where did we come up with the number 740? It is our street address number. If you can't pray at 7:40,	
*(Please stand as you are able)		Silent Meditation and Pastoral Prayer			choose another time. The important
*Call to Worship Our lives are ever-changing,		Lord's Prayer #895		<i>thing is that we are praying!)</i> Scriptures for prayer: "So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for	
but nothing – not one thing – surprises God. God uses every turn to reveal more love		The Offering		we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up" Galatians 6:9.	
to give more strength		The Doxology#95		#95 "Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or	
to deposit more hope and to show us how to see Christ more clearly. Praise God! *Opening Song "Come and Find the Quiet Center" #2128		*Offertory Prayer [Unison] Ever Generous God, we, your people have shown our gratitude to you through the giving of these gifts. We believe this is a ministry to which you have called us: a ministry of generosity and grace. We dedicate these gifts to your service, trusting that they do make a real difference in the lives of many. In Christ we pray. Amen.			imagine by his power at work within
					t work of our hands so that others may also come to experience Christ's love.
Opening Prayer					equip us for the living out of our purpose (what we repeat at the end of
Loving God, your changes touch our lives with mystery and hope. We come to this place today, ready to see your power working		*Closing Hymn "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #140		40 each service). And pray that God help each of us to be a follower of Christ	
through us. Help us to receive your Spirit again so that we can live fearlessly and do your will. In Christ we pray. Amen.		Our Purpose What is our purpose? To provide a place for all to BELONG to			committed to living a life of worship & hospitality, a life of opening our heart to the Holy Spirit, and a life of
The Psalm Psalm 71:14-23 Liturgist: Gwydotta Ukens	(on screen, read responsively)	love of Jesu	unity, BELIEVE in and experie us Christ, and BECOME his di BECOME!	-	service & generosity. Pray for those who are seated around you in worship, whether you know them by name or not. Remember to lift up the
Anthem "Lord, Be With Us or	n This Day" Choir				need of our community and world.
		Benedictio	n		Pray the news: as you listen to the news of each day pray about each
Children's Message [After Children's Moment, children may their parents.]	Mary Thoman go to the nursery or return to	Benedictio	n Response "Bless the I	Lord" Ch	oir situation. Give thanks to God! "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give
Scripture Reading	Exodus 6:10-13, 7:6-7	Postlude			thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for
		God Welco	omes All and So Do We!!!!!!		you" 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18

PRAYERS Please see the Prayer Board outside the office for ongoing prayer requests. Pray for our congregation: For the ministry of making, nurturing, and sending out of disciples; because we believe that God's Love is the answer for the most difficult questions of our world today. Jesus changes lives! *****

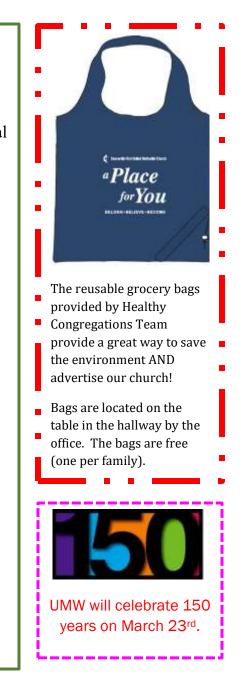
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Thoughts to Ponder What about growing older worries or concerns you? How many of these fears are things you can do something about? What do you need to turn over to God in prayer? Are there some fears you hold about growing older that are unrealistic? What are the blessings of growing older as you see them? **Events this week in church:** Sunday, March 17th: 9:00 am Chapel Communion 9:30 am Sunday School 10:00 am Secret Prayer Sister Reveal 10:30 am Worship Service 11:30 am Fellowship Monday, March 18th: 5:30 pm ADCO Wednesday, March 20th: 10:00 am Commodities 5:00 pm Sittin' With Jesus 5:30 pm Choir Practice 5:45 pm Table Talk Meal 6:30 pm Table Talk Classes Thursday, March 21st: 12:15 pm UMW Executive 1:00 pm UMW General Sunday, March 24th: 9:00 am Chapel Communion 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service 11:30 am Italian Dinner

Annual Chicken & Noodle Dinner

Sunday, April 7th

11:30 am - 1:00 pm



I thought growing old would take longer.

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