



– TRAVELS WITH THE WESLEYS –

“Bristol: Submit to be More Vile”

September 17, 2023

16th Sunday after Pentecost

– Online greet time 9:15 a.m., worship begins at 9:30 –

Faith United Methodist Church

1530 Oakdale Avenue

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Gathering and Praise

Welcome and Announcements

Centering Music

Call to Worship

One: We are called to bring a new understanding of God: that God so loves the world.

Many: We are the salt of the earth.

One: We are called to bring a new hope in God: that God gives us new life.

Many: We are the light of the world.

One: We are called to follow the commandments and the law.

Many: The Law of God is to love God and to love one another.

One: Come, let us be the salt of the earth, the light of the world.

Many: Come, let us love one another with the love of God.

Let us join together in our love of God to worship and follow Jesus.

Opening Hymn “Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast”

UMH 339

Opening Prayer

Many: O God,

you spoke your word and revealed your good news in Jesus, the Christ.

Fill all creation with that word again,

so that by proclaiming your joyful promises to all nations

and singing of your glorious hope to all peoples,

we may become one living body,

your incarnate presence on the earth. Amen.

Hymn of Praise “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

Baby Bells

Creating Connections

Proclaiming the Word

Prayer of Illumination

Bonnie Dick

Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:13-17

Hymn of Preparation

“Ye Servants of God”

UMH 181

TRAVELS WITH THE WESLEYS
Sermon

“Bristol: Submit to be More Vile”
Rev. Marianne Ozanne

Responding to the Word

Affirmation of Faith

UMH 882

Special Music

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Many: **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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Gathering of our Tithes and our Offerings

The Doxology

UMH 94

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Many: **Loving God,
we give thanks for all you have given to us
and praise you for your astounding goodness.
Receive the dedication of our hearts, minds, and bodies
for the ministry of your church.
Bless our offering for the work of your kingdom, and give us wisdom
for the right use of all you have provided, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Closing Hymn

"Bring Forth the Kingdom"

FWS 2190

Benediction

Postlude

— Worship is over. The service begins. —



Liturgy citations:

Call to Worship: written by Rev Mindi, and posted on **Rev-o-lution**. <http://rev-o-lution.org>.
Found at <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2017/01/call-to-worship-loving-god-and-one.html>.

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