

# Memorial First India United Methodist Church

OCTOBER 16, 2022 10:30 A.M. 19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*Ministers: The Whole Congregation Together We Can Make a Difference*

**\*\*Indicates that you are invited to stand as you are able. At those places marked “unison” or printed in bold you are invited to join in reading aloud with the entire congregation**

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

**PRELUDE:**

*Peter Kotiah*

**GREETING & WELCOME:**

*Rev. Saroj Sangha*

**PRAISE MUSIC**

*Children Praise & Worship Team*

**CHORAL INTROIT (Telugu)**

*Lokamulo...Nee ..Prati Roopam Maanavali, Rudhi Papaharam,  
Paraloka Nivasa... Karuna Kara... Kavara...Naravathara Deva Kumara, A...A...men.*

**\*\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Naomi Samson*

**Leader:** Brothers and sisters, we are loved by God.

**People:** **the rule of heaven and earth knows us by name.**

**Leader:** God hears and answers our cries for help.

**People:** **God shows compassion and kindness to us.**

**Leader:** May our lives praise and magnify our great and awesome God.

**ALL:** **We have come to worship the one whose image is imprinted within us. Amen.**

**\*\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

*“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”*

*UMH #89*

**\*\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*Apostles’ Creed traditional version*

*UMH #881*

**\*\*GLORIA PATRI**

*“Glory Be To The Father”*

*UMH #70*

## SERVICE OF CONFESSION

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)**

**O God, our God, you have shown us your ways and promised to walk with us. Through your son, Jesus, you have given us an example to follow, that we might be imitators of your divine love. But we have not kept the laws and rules you have given us. Lover of justice, forgive us when we forget whose image we bear. May the deep convictions of our faith be displayed through acts of kindness compassion and mercy, in your holy name we pray. Amen.**

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

**Minister:** Our God is a God who forgives, showing kindness and compassion to all. When we call on God, God hears and answers us. Through Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**People:** Through Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Children may go to their Sunday School classes*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Pastor

PRAYER RESPONSE

PASTORAL PRAYER

SERVICE OF PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM

*“Come to the table”*

Chancel Choir

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

John Roth

OLD TESTAMENT READING: **Psalm 100: 1-5**

Jordan Kola

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: **1 Thessalonians 5: 14-22**

Preston Anchula

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE:

*“Serve the Lord with Gladness”*

Rev. Saroj Sangha

MUSICAL SELECTION

Telugu Chancel Choir

THE HOLY MEAL & SERVICE OF COMMITMENT

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

..... Pages 13 & 14 UMH

*Communion Music:*

*“Let Us Break Bread Together”* UMH #618

Telugu Lyric

*“Just as I Am, Without One Plea”* UMH #357

*Please bring your Offerings when you Come to the Lord’s Table in a SINGLE FILE & place them in the plates.*

*The two bowls are for your Communion Offering, which will be used to help assist the people in need.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

God of new life, with joy we have received this sacrament of bread and wine, giving you thanks for Jesus Christ, our peace and our hope. Unite your church throughout the world in continuing Christ’s ministry of love and servanthood, that your name may be praised in all the earth. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**\*\*The Doxology #95 UMH “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

SENDING FORTH

**\*\*HYMN**

*“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”*

UMH #526

**\*\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

Minister: God now to serve the living God,  
whose image we bear.

**People: We go, knowing that God goes with us.**

Minister: May all our work done with faith.

**People: May all our efforts be filled with love.**

Minister: Go and preserve with the hope  
that comes through Jesus Christ.

**ALL: We go with the blessings of God, the strength of Jesus Christ,  
and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**\*\*CLOSING RESPONSE**

***“On Eagle’s Wings”***

***UMH #143***

*And God will raise you up on eagle’s wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of God’s hand.*

**POSTLUDE**

***Peter Kotiah***

***WELCOME Members and Friends***

**We are glad you chose to worship with us today, Online and in person.  
May God bless you all!**

**Shepherd’s Table: We will be serving at the SHEPHERD’S TABLE in Silver Spring, MD on SUNDAY-October 30, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.. Volunteers are needed! Please register in advance @ [https:// shepherdstable.volunteerhub.com](https://shepherdstable.volunteerhub.com). Registration is mandatory. If any problems, please contact Mindy Hofmann @ 301-585-6463 Ex. 217 and please confirm to Paul Hanreeder at Church or you can reach him at 301-460-1761. New MFIUMC Team T-shirts are now available for volunteers. Thank you!**

## **BY THE RIVERS OF BABYLON**

Mmm mmm mmm mmm, mmm mmm mmm mmm  
Mmmm mmmm mmmm mmmm mmmm.....

Aaa aaa aaa aaa, aaa aaa aaa aaa aaa aaa aaa  
Aaaa aaaa aaaa aaaaaa aaaaaa.....

*By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down,  
Yeah'eh, we wept, when we remembered Zion  
By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down,  
Yeah'eh, we wept, when we remembered Zion*

There the wicked, carried us away in captivity  
Required from us a song;  
Now how shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land? **(2)**

Mmm mmm mmm mmm, mmm mmm mmm mmm  
Mmmm mmmm mmmm mmmm mmmm.....

Let the words of our mouth and the meditation of our heart  
Be acceptable in thy sight here tonight **(2)**

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Aaa aaa aaa aaaaa, aaa aaa aaa aaa;  
Aaaa aaaa aaaa aaaaaa aaaaaa.....

## **BECAUSE HE LIVES!**

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus  
He came to love, heal and forgive  
He lived and died, to buy my pardon  
An empty grave, is there to prove, my Savior lives

*Because He lives, I can face tomorrow  
Because He lives, all fear is gone  
Because I know, He holds the future  
And life is worth, the living just, because He lives*

How sweet to hold, a newborn baby  
And feel the pride, and joy He brings  
But greater still, the calm assurance  
This child can face, uncertain days, because He lives || *Because He Lives* ||

And then one day, I'll cross the river  
I'll fight life's final, war with pain  
And then as death, gives way to victory  
I'll see the lights, of glory and, I'll know He lives || *Because He Lives* ||

## “Come to the table”

Come to the table of mercy,  
Prepared with the wine and the bread.

All who are hungry and thirsty,  
Come, and your souls will be fed.

Come at the Lord's invitation;  
Receive from His nail-scarred hand.

Eat of the bread of salvation;  
Drink of the blood of the Lamb.

Bread of the world, in mercy broken,  
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed;  
By whom the words of life were spoken,  
And in whose death our sins are dead.

Come to the table of mercy,  
Prepared with the wine and the bread.

All who are hungry and thirsty,  
Come, and your souls will be fed.

Come at the Lord's invitation;  
Receive from His nail-scarred hand.

Eat of the bread of salvation;  
Drink of the blood of the Lamb.

Look on the heart by sorrow broken,  
Look on the tears by sinners shed;  
And be Thy feast to us the token,  
That by Thy grace our souls are fed.

Come to the table of mercy,  
Prepared with the wine and the bread.

All who are hungry and thirsty,  
Come, and your souls will be fed.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **The Altar flowers are presented to the Honor and Glory of God!**

**TODAY** – Following the Worship Service, the **Memorial Committee** will meet.

**Friday, October 21, 2022** – **Bhajana & Songs** at MFIUMC from 6-9 p.m. followed by dinner sponsored by Family Ministry. Please welcome friends and family. Donations are welcome.

**Saturday, October 22, 2022** – **Children and Youth Leaders Training** at MFIUMC by Susan M Harry from 10:30 – 3:30 p.m. All children and youth leaders are welcome.

**Sunday, October 23, 2022** – **United Women in Faith (UMW)** will meet following the Worship Service.

**Sunday, October 30, 2022** - **Breast Cancer Awareness Sunday.**

UMW & UMM will take part in the Worship Service.

**November 6, 2022** – **All Saints Sunday.**

**Saturday, November 12, 2022** – **Ad Council Meeting** from 10:00 – 12:00 noon.

**Sunday, November 13, 2022** – Pledge Sunday.

**Saturday, November 19, 2022** – **Thanksgiving Sale** from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Every Wednesday, join us for the Bible Study via Zoom at 7:00 p.m.

Every Saturday at 9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study is held via Zoom.

Every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study is in the Church Parlor.

### **Prayers for Bereaved Family**

Please pray for Mr. Sam Reddy and family, as he lost his wife **Mrs. Mary A Reddy** (Nutan) who went to be with the Lord on October 10, 2022.

### **PRAYER SUPPORT FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

**Dr. Prabha Clarence, Mr. Moses Peram (Kalyani Bezwada's brother in CA) Mr. Paul Jerome Kola, Mr. Anil Keshiah, Mrs. Pauline Robinson and her son Mr. Anthony Robinson, Mr. Sikander Henry, Mrs. Victoria Jaipal (Sharmila Thomas' mother), Mrs. Stella Samuel, Mr. Sherlock Ratanjee, Mr. Raphael Neville Victor, Mr. Richard McMullen, Mrs. Esther Cornelius (Angela's mother-in-law), and Mrs. Asuntha Francis (Mrs. Rachel Samuel's sister).**

**CHILDREN RECEIVING CARE AT HOME:** Elysia Durgam and Abigail Channuri.

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**Pastor, Rev. Saroj Sangha at 301-879-0374 or Church at 301-585-8015**

**Office hours 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday thru Friday, [www.mfiumc.org](http://www.mfiumc.org)**

**Our Sunday attendance and Offering for October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

Attendance: Adults 74 Youth 10 Children 8 = 92 Tithes and Offering = \$4,714.00

**Worship Leaders**

**Liturgist:** Naomi Samson; **Readers:** Jordan Kola & Preston Anchula; **Acolyte:** Daniel Charles