

# Aldersgate United Methodist Church

November 23, 2008, 10:30 a.m. Service

Service of Word & Table

Gathering "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" arr. McChesney  
"Praise Him! Praise Him!" arr. Wagner  
Handbells

(Welcome! The silence before the service helps us to center our selves in the Lord's presence.  
Thank you for using this time to listen to the "still, small voice" of God!)

Church Life (Announcements/Registration of Attendance)

Prelude "Now thank We All Our God" Cruger/Hegarty

Choral Call to Worship "O Worship the King" Chancel Choir

Greeting

Leader: The Lord be with you!

**People: And also with you!**

Leader: Let us pray together:

**All: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read, your Word proclaimed, and we partake of this holy mystery, may we hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

\* We Sing Praises "We Gather Together" No. 131

\* We State What We Believe No. 881  
**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; The third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Gloria Patri No. 70

☼ Young Minds Time  
Scripture Lesson Ephesians 1:17-23 (NT p. 192)  
Message Rev. Joseph Curtis

Anthem "In This Very Room" Harris

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(The United Methodist Church welcomes all to the Lord's Table.

Come forward with open palms to receive, after receiving the bread dip it in the cup.

If you are unable to come forward raise your hand and you will be served.)

We Offer Our Gifts "Shout to the Lord" Zschech/Hayes  
Susan Jernigan, solo

\* We Sing Praises "Doxology" UM Hymnal No. 95

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving

**All: All things come from you, O God, and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you. And so, in gratitude for all your gifts, we offer you our gifts, in union with Christ's offering for us. Amen.**

\* We Sing Praises "Because He Lives" No. 304

\* Benediction

\* Congregational Blessing and Amen Congregation

**Make us one, Lord, make us one. Holy Spirit, make us one.  
Let your love flow so the world will know. We are one in you.**

Postlude "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" Goss/Hughes

\* Congregation Stands - If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated.

Restrooms, exit the rear of the sanctuary, down the hall, turn right

☼ Children ages 3—2nd grade may leave for Children's Worship at this time



*Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors, The People of the United Methodist Church*

*We welcome you in the name of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ!*

*We hope you find the nurturing presence of the Holy Spirit today!*