



October 13, 2024, Worship Guide
Co-Pastors: Rev. Ross Baker and Rev. Amanda Baker
Guest Pastor: Rev. Kurt Cooper
Worship Musicians: Sue Woods, Cheryl Doty, Abby Worley
Ministry of Music: Sanctuary Choir
Acolytes: Sadie Chanley & Lucy Barrett



Pre Worship Video

Welcome

Welcome to our KVOE listeners and to those watching online.
My name is **Eileen Holland** and this morning I am your worship reader.
Welcome to Emporia First United Methodist Church. We are all beloved children of God.
Together, we are a Christian community committed to accepting, valuing, and loving all.
We seek to live, grow, and serve as Jesus taught us: loving one another, transforming lives, and making disciples.
Let us now worship.

Prelude with Acolytes Entering & Lighting the Candles
Acolytes: **Sadie Chanley**

Call to Worship (Eileen Holland)

ONE: We look in the mirror and what do we see?

ALL: We see people who try to be faithful, even as questions and struggles challenge our faith.

ONE: We look in the mirror and what do we see?

ALL: We see with hearts which are open to God's love, with lives which seek to trust when all the evidence tells us not to be so foolish.

ONE: We look in the mirror and what do we see?

ALL: We see Jesus, the One who struggles with the questions we raise, who models faithfulness for all who would follow.

Passing the Peace **(Rev. Ross Baker)**

ONE: The peace of the Lord be with you.

ALL: And Also with you.

ONE: You are invited to stand as you are able to and to greet one another with the Peace of Christ.

Opening Hymn/Song

“Children of the Heavenly Father” UMH 141

Children’s Time- Rev. Ross Baker

Scripture-

Worship Reader Eileen Holland

Job 1;1, 2:1-10 NRSVUE

1 *There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil.*

2 *One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the LORD, and the accuser also came among them to present himself before the LORD. 2 The LORD said to the accuser, “Where have you come from?” The accuser answered the LORD, “From going to and fro on the earth and from walking up and down on it.” 3 The LORD said to the accuser, “Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason.” 4 Then the accuser answered the LORD, “Skin for skin! All that the man has he will give for his life. 5 But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face.” 6 The LORD said to the accuser, “Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life.”*

7 *So the accuser went out from the presence of the LORD and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. 8 Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself and sat among the ashes.*

9 *Then his wife said to him, “Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God and die.” 10 But he said to her, “You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive good from God and not receive evil?” In all this Job did not sin with his lips.*

Musical Offering

“Hallelujah, Your Love is Amazing” Sanctuary Choir

Sermon: “Once in the Land of Uz”

Rev. Amanda Baker

Prayer Song

It is Well with My Soul UMH 377 vs 1

Pastoral Prayer- Rev. Kurt Cooper

*One: In the midst of darkness, you call forth light.
In the radiance of your light, you invite us to walk into the mystery of your darkness.*

**All: You are our light in this darkness, O God.
Be our guide, that we may not be afraid to walk where no light shines.**

*One: You fill your creation with hope for peace,
but you also remind us of nature's destructive power.*

**All: Shelter us in the midst of storms,
that we may offer shelter to those around us.**

*One: May we show forth the light of your glory
by offering ourselves in love to all who are hurting,
and all who are helping those who hurt.*

**All: When all we have is taken away, still you hold us as your very own. Blessed
are you, Lord God of the universe, so we pray as your son Jesus taught us to:**

Lord's Prayer

It is Well with My Soul UMH 377 vs 4

Offering Our Gifts - Rev. Ross Baker

Doxology

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94

Announcements

Closing Hymn

"Good Good Father,(Chris Tomlin)"

Benediction- Rev. Amanda Baker

Going Out Song:

"Trees of the Field" TFWS 2279