

Jesus, the
Cause of
Division
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***The Mission of Choptank United Methodist Charge is
to worship, welcome, nurture, and serve in the name of Jesus.***

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Mailing Address for All:	204 Johnson Street	Cambridge, MD 21613

Tenth Sunday
after
Pentecost
August 17, 2025



Choptank
Charge

JOURNEYING WITH JESUS THROUGH THE GOSPEL OF LUKE
TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC TO GATHER
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

The Lord calls us to grow in faithfulness.
Take away our greed and selfishness, O Lord!
The Lord challenges us to serve others in loving ways!
Help us grow in our service and witness to your mercy and peace.
Come, let us worship the Lord who delights in our witness.
Let us praise God who is always with us. Amen.

SING A HYMN: {Church Choice}

**PRAY: *(After hearing requests, offer silent prayer for those on our list and in your heart.)*

Refining God, the blaze of your honesty separates truth from falsehood in our lives. When we approach you too easily and casually, thinking we are in control, your baptism of holiness reveals that your loving sacrifice for us reorders all of our relationships and priorities. Your vision, your timing, and your intense passion are at times very foreign to us. Our misguided intentions seek shallow answers, blind agreement, and approval of what we already believe. And when we trust you completely, whether family, friend, or stranger, we will love all people as you love them. We are ready for your open future. For in the days ahead we will find you already at work. We ask that you hear us as we say the prayer your Son taught us to pray, **“Our Father....**

SING A HYMN: “God of Love and God of Power”. vss 1, 2 (UMH #578) (CCLI 20203297)

1 God of love and God of power, grant us in this burning hour
grace to ask these gifts of thee, daring hearts and spirits free.
God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.

2 We are not the first to be banished by our fears from thee;
give us courage, let us hear heaven’s trumpets ringing clear.
God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.

READ SCRIPTURE: Luke 12:49-56

SING A HYMN: {Church Choice}

READ OR LISTEN: Jesus, the Cause of Division.....(see insert)

RECITE THE APOSTLES’ CREED:.....(UMH #881)

***OFFERING PRAYER...PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS...DOXOLOGY (#95)

God, you have come to bring peace, yet you warn us that following you will often bring division. As we offer our gifts, may they be a sign of our willingness to stand with you, yet be compassionate toward all. Use these offerings to spread your message of love and truth. Glory be to You, Lord, now and forever. Amen.

INSTRUMENTAL OR VOCAL MUSIC

****BENEDICTION: *(Please remain quietly in your pew until the candles are extinguished.)*

“May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.” **Amen.**

REFLECT AT HOME ON TODAY’S SCRIPTURE:

Has your household ever been affected by division caused by differing beliefs in Jesus? What did you do? How was this matter resolved?

OFFER YOURSELF DURING THE WEEK:

If you can objectively do so, try to help a divided family see how each person’s beliefs are important to them, even if they don’t all agree.

Thanks for your continuing support. Your help is needed to keep our bills paid in full and on time.
Please mail your check to your financial secretary, OR place your gift in the plate.
Antioch: Becky Wilson 5215 Wilson Road Cambridge 21613
Beckwith: Eleanor Wheatley 9 Shawnee Road Cambridge 21613
Spedden: 881 Hudson Road Cambridge 21613
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Cold Weather Shelter. Valerie Davis, Delmarva Community Services, 2450 Cambridge Beltway, Cambridge, MD 21613
Everstand (United Methodist Board of Child Care) 27993 Substation Road, Denton, MD 21629
MidShore Meals til Monday PO Box 1193 Cambridge, MD 21613
Overflow Café Ministries, 400 Muir Street, Cambridge, MD 21613
Pastor’s Discretionary Fund—for use by all Choptank Charge members and friends; mail donations to Spedden UMC Treasurer: 881 Hudson Road, Cambridge, MD 21613.

To start a prayer chain, please call one of the following:

- Pastor Nan—443-225-6720—Spedden
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*https://ministrymatters.com/2022-01-26_worship_connection_proper_15_c/
**<https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2013/07/pastoral-prayer-luke-12-49-56.html>
***<https://davidsbell.org/offertory-prayers>
**** 2 Corinthians 13:14