



Jarrettown United Methodist Church
June 28, 2026 – 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears,
you are forever opposing the Holy Spirit,
just as your ancestors used to do.

(words spoken by Stephen, just before he was martyred, Acts 7:51)

Gathering Music

Welcome

✠**Song**—Jesus Shall Reign (UMH #157)

✠**Call to Worship**

L: Praise God in God's holy house of worship, praise God under the open skies.

ALL: Praise God for might acts, praise God for tender mercy.

L: Let every living thing praise God.

ALL: Hallelujah!

✠**Song**—One Way

Verse 1

I lay my life down at Your feet
You're the only One I need
I turn to You and You are always there
In troubled times it's You I seek
I put You first that's all I need
I humble all I am all to You

Chorus

One way Jesus
You're the only One that I could live for
One way Jesus
You're the only One that I could live for

Verse 2

You are always
Always there
Every how and every where
Your grace abounds so deeply within me
You will never ever change
Yesterday today the same
Forever 'til forever meets no end

Bridge

You are the Way
The Truth and the Life
We live by faith and not by sight
For You
We're living all for You
(repeat)

Song as Children Depart for Sunday School

Jesus loves the little children,
all the children of the world.
Friend and neighbor, stranger too,
he loves them as he loves you.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Minute For Mission—Caring for Friends

Summer Choir Anthem

Bless the Lord, O My Soul

Douglas E. Wagner

Scripture Reading—Acts 7:54-8:1

When the members of the Sanhedrin heard this, they were furious and gnashed their teeth at him. ⁵⁵ But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, looked up to heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶ "Look," he said, "I see heaven open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." ⁵⁷ At this they covered their ears and, yelling at the top of their voices, they all rushed at him, ⁵⁸ dragged him out of the city and began to stone him. Meanwhile, the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul.

⁵⁹ While they were stoning him, Stephen prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." ⁶⁰ Then he fell on his knees and cried out, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he fell asleep. ⁸ And Saul approved of their killing him. On that day a great persecution broke out against the church in Jerusalem, and all except the apostles were scattered throughout Judea and Samaria.

Sermon—Under Stress: Regress or Revert

Song—Goodness Of God

Verse 1

I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus

All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God

Verse 2

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

Bridge

Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me

Announcements

Offering Hymn—God of Love and God of Power (UMH #578)

The offering plates will be passed as we sing.

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**✠Passing the Peace**

Please extend signs of God's reconciliation and love with those around you, keeping in mind some may be uncomfortable with shaking hands or hugs.

✠Song—No Turning Back**Verse 1**

I have decided I called out His name
I'm following Jesus now and He knows the way

Pre-Chorus

I've made up my mind I'll leave it behind

Chorus

No turning back no turning back
I'm moving on not looking back
I'm giving Him all that I have
No turning back no turning back

Verse 2

Though I may wander I am not lost
So many distractions but I I look to the cross

Bridge 1

Do you wanna come with me
He loves you the same
Oh Won't you come with me
Just call out His name

Bridge 2

I have decided (I have decided)
To follow Jesus (to follow Jesus)
I have decided (I have decided)
I'm following Jesus following Jesus

Ending

No turning back
No turning back
No turning back
No turning back, No turning back
I have decided

✠Sending Forth



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