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Focus for Next Service

October 4th, 2026

Kiss (World Communion Sunday)

Exodus 20:1-20 Matthew 22:36-40

Public WIFI Log-in

PFUMC-Guest Password: ConnectMe!

Let us know you are worshipping with us,
whether you are in the Sanctuary or on YouTube.

Please fill out a connect card in your bulletin
or use the comment section on YouTube
to make your prayer request known to the pastor.

He will include your thanks to God
and your prayer concerns in our pastoral prayer.

If you would like to add your prayers to the weekly prayer chain,
contact Karen Lynch at 717-571-5903 or karen_lynch@me.com.

9:00 AM Non-Traditional Service

10:30 AM Traditional Service

All services are both in person and live-streamed
on our website and YouTube.

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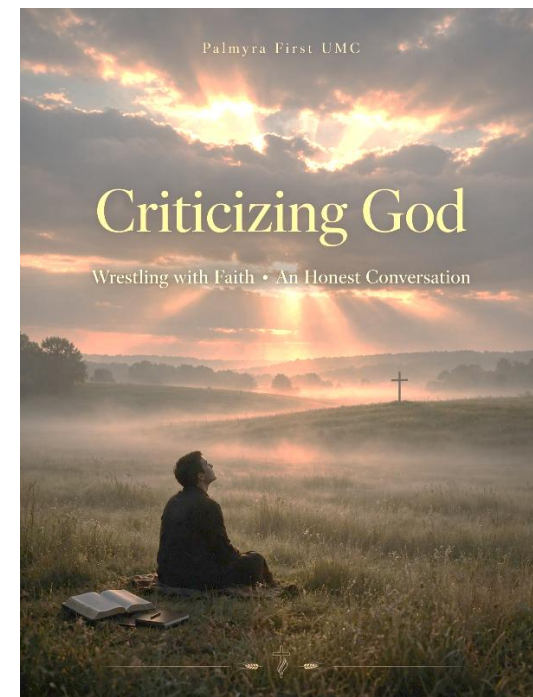
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September 27th, 2026

Criticizing God

10:30 AM Service

Serving Christ, Changing Lives!

*Congregation standing, as able

Criticizing God

Prelude

*Call to Worship Reed p. 253 (Lectionary Worship Aids)

Leader: Come and drink from the rock of our salvation.

People: From God comes the water that brings us eternal life.

Leader: Come and hear Jesus speak in the temple.

People: We have come to listen for Jesus' word to us.

Leader: Come and follow faithfully in the way of Jesus.

People: We are disciples, and we will follow.

*Opening Hymn #96 "Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above"

Opening Prayer Reed p. 255-256 (Lectionary Worship Aids)

O God,

we come to worship and praise you

for you are the source of life.

You bring forth that which sustains and refreshes us

even in the midst of those dry and arid

times of our lives.

As we are refreshed by the waters of life,

may we also be confirmed in our faithful discipleship.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer "using the word sins instead of trespasses"

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Exodus 17:1-7

Gospel Reading Matthew 21:23-32

Sermon "Criticizing God"

*Hymn of Response #314 "In the Garden"

Prayer of Confession

Reed p. 256-257 (Lectionary Worship Aids) alt.

O God,

we confess to you and before one another

we have sinned.

We speak so freely about being Christians

and disciples of Jesus, yet our actions

do not match our words in so many ways.

Forgive us our slowness to allow your Spirit to transform us

into the image of the Christ

and call us once again to faithful discipleship.

We lift up to your caring heart

those who are wandering in the wilderness of their lives

and do not know on whom to call.

We pray for your church so we may be faithful disciples

who do as you direct.

All this we ask in the name of the Blessed and Holy Trinity.

Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Words of Pardon and Assurance

Offering

*Offertory Response #95 "Praise God For Whom...."

*Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

*Closing Hymn #154 v. 1-3 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

#155 v. 3-6 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

*Benediction

*Choral Response #666 "Shalom to You"

Postlude