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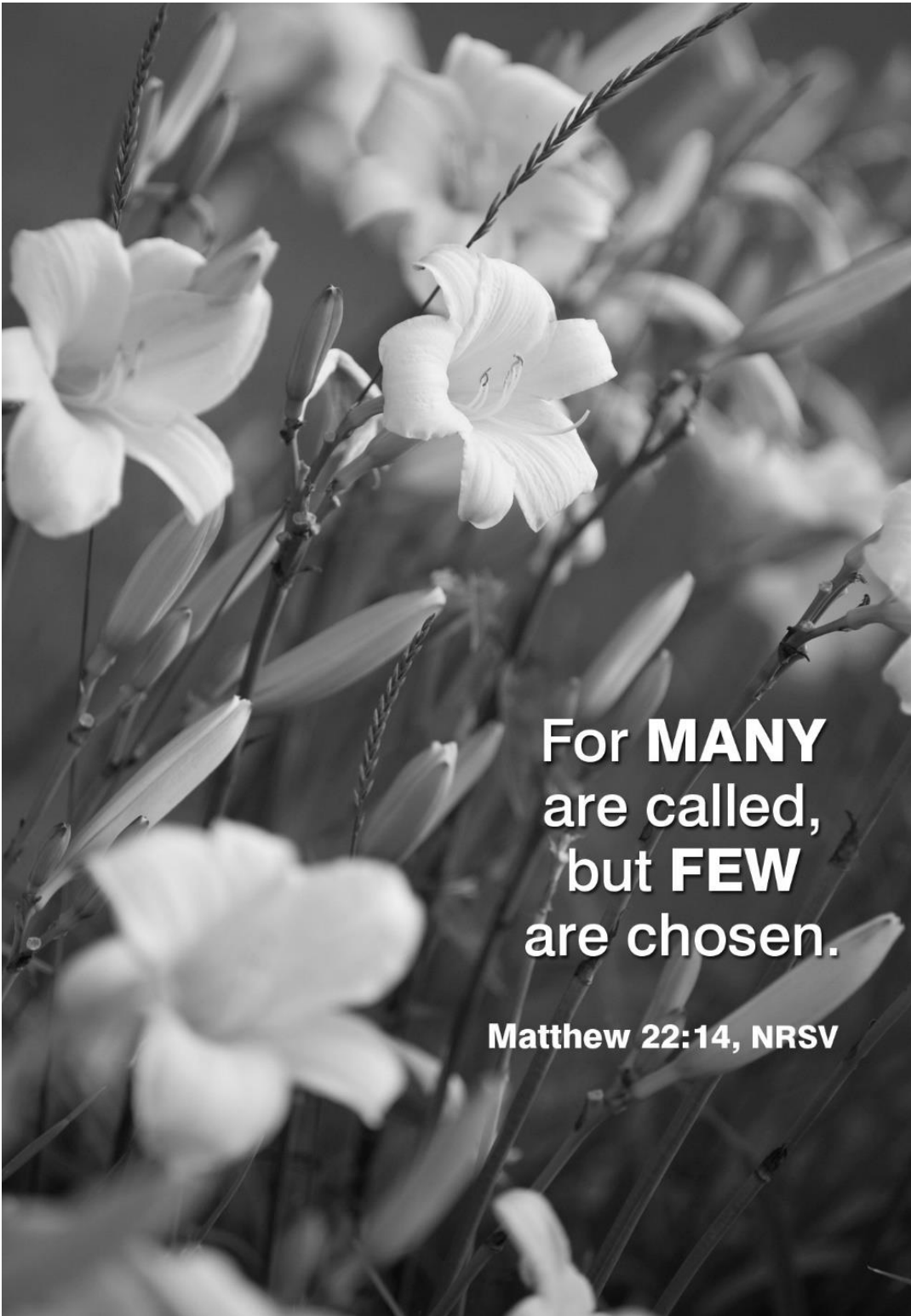
First United Methodist Church, Tallassee is committed to making disciples of Jesus Christ, by connecting people to the Word of God and engaging them in ministry here and throughout the world.

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A black and white photograph of a field of lilies. The flowers are in various stages of bloom, with some fully open and others as buds. The background is softly blurred, creating a sense of depth. The lighting is natural, highlighting the delicate petals and stamens of the flowers.

**For MANY
are called,
but FEW
are chosen.**

Matthew 22:14, NRSV

11:00 a.m. Worship
October 15, 2017
19th Sunday in Kingdomtide - Green

The altar is open for personal prayer time prior to the beginning of our service.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude *How Great Thou Art* Adult Bells

Invocation

Call to Worship Chancel Choir

***Hymn of Praise** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* 89

***Responsive Reading** Psalm 106

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: O give thanks to the Lord who is good; whose steadfast love endures for ever!

Leader: Who can utter the mighty doings of the Lord, or show forth all God's praise?

People: Blessed are they who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times!

Leader: Remember me, O Lord, when you show favor to your people; help me when you deliver them,

People: that I may see the prosperity of your chosen ones, that I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation, that I may glory with your heritage.

Affirmation of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed

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. *means universal*

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Joys and Concerns

Moment of Silence

We light this candle to signify our prayers for those involved in armed conflict around the world. We lift up those we know and love serving in the United States Armed Services and we recognize God's call to pray for our enemies. We ask for God's peace and wholeness to illuminate every darkness. We join together in a moment of silence and invite you to lift up your prayers on behalf of our community, nation, and world.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Choral Prayer Response Chancel Choir

Hymn of Preparation *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* 381

Children's Moment

(Children age 4 – 2nd grade will be escorted to Children's Church)

Offertory *Come to the Water (Foley)* Chancel Choir

***Prayer of Praise**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Scripture** Matthew 22:1-14

Message Rev. Dric Williford

***Hymn of Invitation** *Trust and Obey* 467 (v.1&4)

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *Trumpet Flourish* Leslye Ames

**Stand as you are able*

Lay Reader: Marilyn Durham
Acolytes: James Houts Family