

Yesterday is history. Tomorrow is a mystery.

WIN THE DAY



Avondale United Methodist Church | October 19, 2025

GATHERING

Gathering Music

Ancient of Days

Gathering

* Call to Worship

* Song of Faith

He Leadeth Me

UMH 128

ENGAGING

The Brown Bag Mystery Tour

R² & The AUMC Young Ones

Children and youth of all ages and stages are welcome to come to the front of the sanctuary to hang out with Rev. Rebecca as we discover the surprise awaiting us in the Brown Bag.

A Portrait of Peter

from the Gospels of Matthew & John

Song of Faith

Come, Let Us Dream

Message

Win the Day: Cut the Rope

THANKSGIVING

Call to Prayer

The Summons

FWS 2130

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

Celebrating Generosity

One of the ways we give thanks to God at Avondale UMC is by meeting God's generosity with our own. The Connection Card in the bulletin is a tool for offering to God our acts of discipleship throughout the previous week. It's also a place to share with the pastor any prayer requests. As the offering plate comes your way, we encourage you to connect with your nearest neighbors.



Musical Offering

Let Go

* Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

* Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

Next Steps

These upcoming opportunities are a chance to take next steps in our faith, growing deeper in God, and carrying this week's message into the world. Be sure to mark your calendars and invite others to join us.

* Song of Faith

Peter Said, "I'm Going Fishing"

* Blessing

Parting Music

Peter Said, "I'm Going Fishing"

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As United Methodists, we believe in open hearts, open minds, and open doors. The congregation of Avondale United Methodist Church in Kansas City, Missouri, is open to all of God's children. We welcome, include, fully affirm, and celebrate the lives of all people. People of all physical and mental ability, race, ethnicity, age, gender, gender identity, gender expressions, family structure, marital status, socio-economic class, faith history, and sexual orientation are welcome, affirmed, and loved here. We believe that all individuals are created by love in God's image. As a Reconciling Ministry Church, we strive to create a safe space and a community that enriches the life of each person. We embrace our diversity and invite all to be a vital part of our church family and ministry.
~ Adopted November 2019





Habit 5: Cut the Rope



Playing it safe is risky.

Batterson, Mark. *Win the Day: 7 Daily Habits to Help You Stress Less & Accomplish More.* (Colorado Springs: Multnomah, 2020) 101.

Questions for Reflection

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. Can you think of a moment in your life when you did something risky and it opened the door to great opportunities for you? Was the risk worth the reward?
3. What are some risks that you have been wanting to take, yet you have not found the courage to cut the rope and take that step of faith? What is holding you back?
4. Has there been a time in your life when you felt the call of God to do something, go somewhere, or change the path of your life and it made absolutely no sense at all? What did you give up in order to follow this call?
5. What bad habits are keeping you from taking risks? Are you overthinking, letting fear and anxiety rule you? Maybe it's not planning out the risk properly in a calculated way; how can you change these habits to give you a better ability to take more risks?

Daily Prayer

Great Dreamer, I am ever grateful that once upon a time my very existence, my life, my breath was part of your imagining of unborn tomorrows. And now, here I am! I long to break the habit of thinking small when it comes to imagining unborn tomorrows. Give me courage to cut the ropes that need to be cut. Make visible all those seemingly hidden possibilities that are oh so near. Put my failures into perspective transforming stumbling blocks into building blocks. Unleash your holy imagination in me. So be it. Amen.

Daily Readings for This Week

Every day through scripture reading and prayer we will discover the broader story of God's Word. Together let's go deeper into God's Word this week.

Monday ... Ephesians 3:20-21
& Proverbs 27:1

Tuesday ... Acts 16:7-10

Wednesday ... Philippians 1:6
& Philippians 4:13

Thursday ... John 2:1-11 & John 6:1-14

Friday ... John 9:1-7

Saturday ... Romans 8:37 & Hebrews 11:1

Notes
