

Welcome to this worship service. Please note that bold type indicates congregational participation. An asterisk (*) indicates that you are invited to stand as you are able. UMH stands for The United Methodist Hymnal. FWS stands for The Faith We Sing.

GATHERING

Gathering Songs [8:10]

Welcome, Announcements, Celebrations and Concerns

PASSING OF THE PEACE*

Prelude

Choral Introit [10:50]

CALL TO WORSHIP* Psalm 19 UMH 750

Opening Prayer*

HYMN* *O For a Heart to Praise My God* UMH 417
Sung to the tune of #57, *O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 1.18-25

SONG *Where Children Belong* FWS 2233
(The children are invited to come forward during this song.)

A Time with Young Disciples

Choral Anthem [10:50]

Scripture Reading John 2.13-22

HYMN* *Lead On, O Cloud of Presence* FWS 2234

Scripture Reading Exodus 20.1-17
Sermon “In Context” Rev. John Collins

BAPTISMAL COVENANT I [10:50]

Special Music *My Lord and I* Jubilation

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(A time of silent and listening prayer.)

PRAYER RESPONSE *O Lord Hear My Prayer* FWS 2200 x2

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Patient Lord, we have cluttered the “temples” of our lives. We have filled them with unnecessary things that hinder your presence and stifle your Spirit. Forgive us for being so preoccupied with other, lesser matters that we have not listened to your words or followed your ways. Clear away our fears and frustrations. Give us clean hearts and spirits. Help us to be confident in your unbounded mercy and unending love. Amen.

(A time of silent prayers of confession.)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Rejoice! We are forgiven. If we but let the clutter of our lives fall away and it will be replaced by the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

(If you are a guest this morning, please feel no obligation to give. This is simply one of the ways we worship God.)

RESPONSE* UMH 95

THANKSGIVING

Prayer of Thanksgiving*
THE LORD'S PRAYER*

UMH 895

HYMN*

This Little Light of Mine

UMH 585

SENDING FORTH

Dismissal with Blessing
Postlude

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH STAFF

Linda Beever, Secretary
Bob Whitson, Custodian
Carla Herring, Pianist
Henry Millen, Organist
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