

ORDER OF WORSHIP March 6, 2022 10:30 a.m. Service

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn of Praise – "To God Be the Glory" (UMH #98) To God be the glory, great things he hath done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the lifegate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God; the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. [Refrain]

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son; but purer, and higher, and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. [Refrain]

Call to Worship:

Pastor: We come to worship the God who walks with us through every challenge. **People: We come to remember what Jesus did when he was faced with the wilderness.**

Pastor: When the children of Israel wandered through the wilderness, they were not alone, God was there!

People: If we are walking through the wilderness today, we are not alone, God is with us!

All: We come today to worship our God, who gives us strength for every journey, and courage for every test!

Act of Praise – "Glory be to the Father" (UMH #70) 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.

Lenten Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God, Father, Creator; who gives us steadfast love, and shares with us our joy, Our God sustains us in our weakness, and empowers us with His strength.

We trust Him.

We follow Jesus Christ, God's Son.

His death is our victory, His resurrection is our hope; in Him the Word became flesh; in Him we find forgiveness, renewal from failure, reconciliation from brokenness, and release from despair.

We are saved through Him.

We are guided by the Holy Spirit, God's presence in the world.

That same Spirit calls us to be the Church,

to celebrate love, to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen.

We are empowered through Him.

We are disciples, pilgrim people.

We joyfully covenant to walk together in love.

To live in fellowship, in life, in death, in life beyond death.

God is with us! We are not alone! Thanks be to God!

Joyful Voices – "If Your Happy and You Know It"

Children's Message

Scripture Lesson – Psalm 91:1-2; 9-16

Prayer of Intercession

Prayer of Confession

Most Merciful God, whose Son Jesus Christ was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before You our own sinfulness. We have hungered after that which does not satisfy. We have not always walked in Your way, nor sought what is good. We have doubted Your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith. Have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in Your ways and delight in doing Your will. In mercy renew us and bring us to life, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Experiencing and Extending the Peace of Christ

Adult Choir - "In Remembrance"

Offering

Doxology – "Praise God, From Who All Blessings Flow" (UMH #95) 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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn – "Take Time to Be Holy" (UMH #395)
Take time to be holy,
speak oft with thy Lord;
Abide in him always,
and feed on his word.
Make friends of God's children,
help those who are weak,
Forgetting in nothing his blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on; Spend much time in secret with Jesus alone. By looking to Jesus, like him thou shalt be; Thy friends in thy conduct his likeness shall see. Take time to be holy, let him be thy guide, And run not before him, whatever betide. In joy or in sorrow, still follow the Lord, And, looking to Jesus, still trust in his word.

Take time to be holy, be calm in thy soul, Each thought and each motive beneath his control. Thus led by his spirit to fountains of love, Thou soon shalt be fitted for service above.

Sermon – Subtle

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor: And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pastor: Through Your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

People: Amen.

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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.

Hymn – "Lamb of God" (The Faith We Sing #2113) Your only Son, no sin to hide, but you have sent him from your side, to walk upon this guilty sod, and to become the Lamb of God.

Refrain:

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in his precious blood
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Your gift of love, they crucified, they laughed and scorned him as he died, the humble king they named a fraud and sacrificed the Lamb of God. [Refrain.]

I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side, to be led by your staff and rod, and to be called a lamb of God. [Refrain.]

Benediction

Congregational Response – "Lord, Prepare Me To Be A Sanctuary" (The Faith We Sing #2164) Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for you.

Postlude/Dismissal

Brian Barber, Organist Roy Nelson, Director of Music Ministries

> Rev. Brad Leight Ruth Portzline, CLM