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Bulletin

March 20, 2016
Palm Sunday
8:45 am

God's Call and Our Commitment

To be an authentic, accessible and inclusive community in Christ, celebrating and extending God's love into the world.

Thought for the day

"God be merciful to me, a sinner."

-John Wesley on his deathbed in 1791

Special Music

Sunshine Handbell Ensemble

***Gathering Songs**

"As We Gather"

"The Lord is Coming Today" (Williams & Larson)

Kids/Choir

Time with Children

Following this, the children are escorted to a time of activity and learning. Please pick them up in their classrooms following the service.

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Rev. Frank Hallock

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Drawn toward a holy center.

People: Beckoned to explore the depths.

Leader: Searching for the heart's true song.

People: Looking for a word that's true.

Leader: Here and now, we are found by God's grace and embraced with God's love.

People: Now we can stand on solid ground in the midst of shifting sands.

Leader: We can sing in the dark,

People: Dance on thin ice,

Leader: Laugh in the rain,

People: Believe through the pain.

Leader: Now, we can walk toward Easter,

People: Sail toward the dawn.

Song of Joy

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" UMH 278



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Scripture

Isaiah 50:4-9a in the Old Testament

Leader: For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
For the Word of God within us,

People: **Praise be to God.**

Prayer of the Waiting

O Love Divine and Mysterious, take me down deep to the holy darkness of Love's roots. Let me become one with you. Guide me into the heart of the night, where I may grow strong with patience and waiting. Bless my eyes for the times of dim light, so that I may see what only you may reveal. Build a fire in my heart to keep me warm until a new dawn emerges. With the comfort of your promise to protect me, I have hope that new life will soon be revealed. Until the new light casts a glow for a new day, I will listen for your still small voice. Amen.

Prayer Song

"All That I Need"

Silent Prayer

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.

Special Music

Praise Band

Scripture

Luke 19:28-40 in the New Testament

Leader: For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
For the Word of God within us,

People: **Praise be to God.**

Message

"Midnight Until Dawn: Listen and Wait"

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Offering our Gifts

Song of Blessing (Doxology)

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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Offertory Prayer

O God of power, you are able to use the weak and foolish things of this world to triumph over despair, suffering and hopelessness. Use us and these gifts in ways that bring new life and hope to our hurting world.

Song of Sending

"The Lord is My Light"

Benediction

At this time, you may join hands for the Benediction.



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Next Sunday...

Video Tech: Billy Stempson
Sound Tech: Lynda Mounts
Liturgist: TBA
Acolyte(s): Gracie and Taylor

This Sunday...

Today's Liturgist is Ranae Mathias; Acolytes are Stella and Jordyn; Video Tech is Billy Stempson and Sound Tech is Suzanne McMurchie. Unless otherwise noted, scripture is from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.

Flowers are given by:

Kim Johnson and Tim Frazier in celebration of Chelsea's birthday (March 16).