

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10 a.m.

Veterans Day Sunday

November 8, 2020

\* indicates "stand if you are able."

GREETINGS

One: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: The risen Christ is with us.

All: **Praise the Lord!**

WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*HYMN

*"Sanctuary" (2X)*

TFWS #2164

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: Our ancestors have led us here.

All: **We are witnesses of their faith.**

One: The wisdom of the ages has called us here.

All: **We are children of its call.**

One: The choice to follow God lies before us.

All: **We are heirs of its promise.**

One: The Lord of life has called us here.

All: **We are here to worship the Lord.**

One: And together let us pray.

All: **Lord of Life, we come this day to follow the ways you set before us. Show us the signs of your coming kingdom, that we may be worthy of our invitation. May we have the wisdom to teach our children your ways and pass on a better world to the generations to come. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

\*RECOGNIZING OUR VETERANS

Insert

*A Prayer For Those in Military Service*

*A Veteran's Day Prayer – all veterans who are present are invited to stand*

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLE

*"Children's Message"*

\*HYMN

*"Lord I Lift Your Name on High" (2X)*

TFWS #2088

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, your word is a lamp to our feet. May that word grow in our hearts and our lives, that we may work together to build a world where all may share God's abundant life. Amen.

THE EPISTLE READING

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

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Romans 14:1-12

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*"Embrace Life"*

Rev. Jane Kim

\*HYMN

*"Here I am to Worship"*

Tim Hughes

Light of the world

You stepped down into darkness

Opened my eyes let me see

Beauty that made this heart adore You

Hope of a life spent with You

[Chorus]

And here I am to worship

Here I am to bow down

Here I am to say that you're my God

You're altogether lovely

Altogether worthy

Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days

Oh so highly exalted

Glorious in heaven above

Humbly you came to the earth you created

All for love's sake became poor

[Chorus]

Here I am to worship

Here I am to bow down

Here I am to say that you're my God

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JOYS AND CONCERNS

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

*(From UMH page 7)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**We long to have the courage to choose you, O God, each and every day. We yearn for the forbearance to wait patiently, through the long watches of the night – for we long to be found ready, when you appear in your glory. Fill our lamps with your grace, that we might share your light with our children and with the generations to come. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hold onto these words of hope: "We will be with the Lord Forever." Love the life and live.

**ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

THE INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS (in unison)  
**Offering our gifts to God is a holy act. In this sacred moment, let us offer our gifts and our lives to the holy work of God.**

WEEKLY OFFERING

The Offering plates will be placed by the entrance to the sanctuary and altar for your use upon entering or leaving worship.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*“Ask of Me”*

*Douglas Nolan*

*Kim and Tim Gill – Vocal Duet*

Ask of Me, and I will hear. Ask of Me, for I am near.  
I will hear the whispered prayer; every need and every care.  
Ask of Me, and I will give. Ask of Me, and you will live.

Ask of Me, and I will hear. Ask of Me, for I am near.  
Call my name, and you will find, that all your needs will be supplied.  
Ask of Me, and I will give. Ask of Me, and you will live.

Knock, the door will open. Seek, and you will find.  
Ask, and I will answer. None will be denied.

Ask of Me, and I will hear. Ask of Me, for I am near.  
Till that day I take your hand, and lead you to the promised land,  
Ask of Me, and I will give. Ask of Me, and you will live.

\*DOXOLOGY

*“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

UMH #95

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

**We come before you, O God, with gifts in your name in service of the world. We bring you this offering, as a symbol of our choice to follow you. Receive these gifts of love, that they may go forth as your blessing and wisdom for the world. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.**

\*HYMN

*“We are Marching”*

TFWS #2235-b

\*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One: Go forth this day and keep your lamps lit.

**All: We go with hearts ablaze with God’s love.**

One: Go forth this day and shine with God’s light.

**All: We go with lives kindled with the call to serve.**

One: Go forth this day and enter into fullness of life.

**All: We go to embrace the life we have received.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us share his love and peace with one another.

***PLEASE JOIN CUMC ZOOM COFFEE HOUR FOLLOWING THE SERVICE.***

**OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED**

**NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS**

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