ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

10 a.m. January 31, 2021

** indicates "stand if you are able."*

Introit *"Here I Am to Worship"* Tim Hughes / arr. Cindy Berry
CUMC Adult Choir

Light of the world, You stepped out of the darkness, Opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore You, Hope of a life spent with You.

Refrain

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.

Refrain

I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.
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My Jesus I love Thee, I know Thou art mine; For Thee, all the follies of sin
I resign. My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus 'tis now.

Refrain

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 *"All Creatures of Our God and King" Verses 1, 4, 5, & 7* UMH #62

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: Praise God, who loves us all.
All: **Praise God, who is full of mercy and compassion.**
One: Praise God, who loves us well.
All: Praise God, who creates honesty and justice.
One: Praise God, who invites us to love.
All: Praise God, who loves through us and our actions.
One: And together let us pray.
All: Loving God, we worship your holy name. Love through us, as we listen for your holy word. Love through us, as we live your teachings and offer your love to our world. In your majestic name, we pray. Amen.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES "*Children's Message"*

*HYMN *"You Raise Me Up"*

Verse 1

When I am down and oh my soul's so weary
When troubles come and my heart burdened be
Then I am still and wait here in the silence
Until You come and sit a while with me

Chorus

You raise me up
So I can stand on mountains
You raise me up
To walk on stormy seas
I am strong when I am on Your shoulders
You raise me up to more than I can be

Verse 2

There is no life no life without its hunger
Each restless heart beats so imperfectly
But when You come and I am filled with wonder
Sometimes I think I glimpse eternity

Ending

I am strong when I am on Your shoulders
You raise me up to more than I can be
You raise me up to more than I can be

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Let all who wish to know the ways of life and death listen for the word of God. Truly the presence of the Lord is in this place.

THE HEBREW READING Isaiah 61:1-11

THE PSALM READING Psalm 15

One: The Word of God for the people of God
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *"Minister of Our God"* Rev. Jane Kim

*HYMN *"O Spirit of the Living God"* UMH #539

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

Holy God, when we speak words that hurt, transform our words with your grace. When we act in ways that hurt, transform our hurtful actions with your love. May we remember that we are loved and called to love. Help us to do justice, love kindness, and

walk humbly with you. In your likeness, may your love flow freely through us and bring your love to the world. In your holy name, we pray. Amen. silence our cries and speak gently through our words.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE
Full of mercy and compassion, God knows us to the core of our being. You are loved through all your days.

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *"Come, Follow Me"* *Joel Raney*
CUMC Adult Choir

Come, follow Me, the Savior cries, gather to My side, leave the world behind.
Put your trust in God, and follow My footsteps, I will shepherd you and be your guide.

Come, follow Me, pick up your cross and follow where I lead.
Come, follow Me, I will be your shepherd, you, My lamb. Come, follow Me.

My guiding light will shine like the day. I will never leave you lost and alone.
My peace will comfort you, as you travel on, and My grace will abide.
My grace will abide and bring you home.

*DOXOLOGY *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* UMH #95

THANKSGIVING PRAYER
Holy God, we bring gifts of our gratitude and our love. Bless these, that they may become acts of love and grace. Bless us and our gifts, that we may transform the world with love and grace. In gratitude and hope, we pray. Amen.

*****HYMN *"El Shaddai"* UMH #123

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH
One: Go now to love as beloved children of God.
All: We go now to live as living signs of Christ's presence.
One: Go now to transform the world with the power of the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE
Let us share his love and peace with one another.

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OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED **NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS**

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