

# ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10 a.m.

September 25, 2022

*\* indicates "stand if you are able." UMH is the blue hymnal. TFWS is the small black book.*

## PRELUDE

## INTROIT

*"Heaven's Rose"*

*Stan Pethel*

*CUMC Adult Choir*

In days of old the prophets spoke foretelling of a time when hope would come,  
When hope would be, and God's own light would shine.  
That holy night in Bethlehem the God of Heaven chose to send His Son,  
The Promised One, our Redeemer, Heaven's Rose.

From the highest heaven to such a lowly birth;  
Heavenly love was given, a gift to all the earth, with the Father's blessing,  
Freely unto those before him now confessing, "This is Jesus, Heaven's Rose."

As shepherds bow the angels sing, and stars shine ever bright;  
The miracle, our destiny was born that wondrous night.  
What mystery, what joy divine;  
we join with all of those who sing through all of history,  
"This is Jesus, Heaven's Rose."

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming, from tender stem has sprung;  
Of Jesus lineage coming, as those of old have sung.

## WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 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!**

## \*HYMN

*"How Great Thou Art" Verses 1, 3, 4*

*UMH #77*

## CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: Sheltered by God,

**All: we come now to worship.**

One: Invited by Christ,

**All: we come now to pray.**

One: Welcomed by the Spirit,

**All: we gather as the people of God.**

One: And together let us pray.

**All: Sheltering God, as we worship you this day, cover us with the presence of your Holy Spirit. Gather us in the goodness of your grace, that we may experience your comforting presence and your powerful protection. In your loving name, we pray. Amen.**

## A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*"Children's Message"*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

THE PSALM READING Psalm 91:1-6

THE EPISTLE READING 1 Timothy 6:6-19

THE GOSPEL READING Luke 16:19-31

One: The Word of God for the people of God

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

*"No Turning Back"*

Rev. Jane Kim

## 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

**O God, you are our refuge in times of trouble, our shelter in times of rain. When we forget to be refuge for others in trouble, forgive us. Turn our gaze to the poor Lazaruses of our world, for we would rather look away. Guide our lives to be places of shelter for others, as you have been shelter for us. Strengthen us with your grace, that we may offer our mercy and help to the needy, as you have offered your mercy and help to us. Draw us back into the protection of your forgiveness and grace. In hope and gratitude, we pray. Amen.**

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Because we have called, God has answered. We are delivered and saved by God's love.

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

## THE INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS (in unison)

**Let us be generous in our giving, that others may see in us the transforming power of God. Let us be lavish in our gifts, that others may draw life from the bounty of God's blessings.**

## WEEKLY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *"We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise"* By Kirk Dearman/arr. Mark Hayes  
*Jeong-Hwa Park – Piano Soloist*

\*DOXOLOGY                    *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”*                    UMH #95

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

**Generous God, open our hearts and our wallets to be as generous with others as you are with us. Bless the gifts we offer to you, that they may be gifts of generous love for others. May we be generous givers of our time, talent, treasure and service, that others may find in us generous and loving friends. In gratitude and joy, we pray. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.**

JOYS AND CONCERNS

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

**God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace, for grieving families and all those who are scared, especially the old and those with young families. We pray that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. We continue to pray that you will bring justice to this whole situation. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.**

\*HYMN                                    *“I Will Call upon the Lord”*                                    TFWS #2002

\*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One:    God be with you in the week ahead.

**All:    In times of trouble, in times of joy,**

One:    may God be your refuge and strength;

**All:    may Christ be the foundation of your life. Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us share God’s love and peace with one another.

POSTLUDE

**OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED**

**NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS**

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