ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

10 a.m. Communion Sunday February 5, 2023

PRELUDE

INTROIT "Fill-a Me Up" Pepper Choplin
CUMC Adult Choir

Refrain

Fill - a me up, come - a Holy Spirit, fill - a me up to the top - a my soul.

Fill - a me up, come - a Holy Spirit, fill – a me up now and take control.

Repeat refrain

Fill - a me up, come - a Spirit, come.

Fill - a me up, Holy Spirit, O come.

So many things try to fill me up. So many things try to weigh me down.

Fill - a my heart now until you stay and chase the other things away.

Fill - a my heart, come, Spirit.

Repeat refrain

Now my heart is an open door. Here your Spirit is welcome, Lord.

Fill-a my heart now and let it grow and change my life so all will know.

Fill-a my heart, you come and...

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 "Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord" (2X) Insert

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: Happy are those who worship the Lord and delight in God's teachings.

All: They rise before dawn as a light to the upright.

One: They are gracious, and merciful, and righteous.

All: They shine their light before others for all the world to see.

One: They will never be moved.

All: Let this be our worship.

One: And together let us pray.

All: Dear God of Love and Mercy, we desire a fast of sackcloth fast of

righteous. You ask us to lose the bonds of injustice, undo the thongs of the yoke, and set the captives free. Train our hearts to do what is right, O God, not what is easy. May we live our days among the righteous, that we may never be moved, but dwell secure in your mercy and your grace. In

Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES "Children's Message"

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 PSALM READING Psalm 112:1-9

THE GOSPEL READING Luke 15:1-7

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "One Spirit" Rev. Jane Kim

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 "Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You"

Jay Althouse

CUMC Adult Choir

Lord, I stretch my hands to you; no other help I know. If you should leave me all alone, where, then, shall I go?

Oh, Lord, I give my soul to you; I seek your care and love.

No other blessings do I need but those from you above.

Lord, I ask you: give me faith, and help me understand.

And, Lord, when I this life shall leave, just hold me in your hand.

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

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Radiant One, source of every good gift, we thank you for the light you shine in our lives; we praise you for the joy you bring to our hearts. Receive the gifts we bring before you this day, that they may lose the bonds of injustice, undo the thongs of the yoke, feed the hungry, and let the oppressed go free. Bless this offering and the ministries it supports, that your light may chase away the shadows in places lost to hopelessness and despair. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION (From UMH Pgs. 9-11)

Insert

JOYS AND CONCERNS

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. Jesus the Prince of Peace, have mercy on them. Stop the war o, God. We continue to pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN

"Many Gifts, One Spirit"

UMH #114

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One: You are the light of the world; let your light shine.

We thirst for justice and righteousness. All:

Go with the blessings of the one who is just and right. One:

All: Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

POSTLUDE

OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED

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