

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY

10 a.m.

May 28, 2023

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

PRELUDE

INTROIT *"Be Thou My Vision"* UMH #451

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 *"All Creatures of Our God and King" Verses 1, 2, 5* UMH #62

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: Coming from different places,

All: we gather as one church, one community of faith.

One: Bringing different gifts,

All: we come to offer ourselves as we are.

One: Blessed by one Spirit,

All: we bring our unity of gratitude and praise.

One: And together let us pray.

All: Holy Spirit, blow through our gathering as you blew through that Pentecost gathering so many centuries ago. Breathe in us your new creation, that we may be renewed and revived to be your people once more. Speak through our differences and our diversity, and bind us together in unity and love. 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 104:24-34, 35b

THE ACTS READING Acts 2:1-21

THE GOSPEL READING Matthew 6:9-13

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *"Lead Us Not Into Temptation"* 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

Refreshing wind of God, whisper the truth of your love to us. Where we are breathless with sin and regret, breathe new life into us through your mercy and your grace. Where we stand firm in our divisions, re-mold us with your mighty power, that we might rise in unity and love. Renewing wind of the Spirit, help us recognize our gifts, that we may use them for your glory. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

All who call upon the name of God are saved. By calling on God and confessing our sins, the Holy Spirit re-creates us anew and save us by Christ's grace.

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 *"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...

Repeat refrain

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

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

God of Love, create miracles through the gifts we return to you now. Create miracles through us, as we give our lives back to you. Create miracles through our gifts, as we share them with one another. Lead us not into temptation today, but deliver us from evil. Truly, the whole of the gifts you have given us is greater than the sum of the parts, thanks to your powerful presence in our lives and in our church. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of peace and justice, we pray for Ukraine today. We pray for people suffering from war. Transform the hearts and minds of all those who perpetuate violence and oppression. Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward world peace; may they not be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference. Stop the war o, God. Amen.

*HYMN *"Lamb of God"* TFWS #2113

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One: As you have blessed this gathering,

All: bless us as we go our separate ways.

One: Bless us as we share your gifts.

All: Bless us as we live in your presence.

One: Bless us to be one body,

All: even in our different places this week.

One: Bless us to be one holy church.

All: a church that shares your love will 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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