# ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday School, Choir and Graduate Recognition Sunday

10 a.m. Father's Day June 18, 2023

**PRELUDE** 

INTROIT "Draw the Circle Wide" Worship & Song #3154 (Insert)

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" UMH #77

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: People of God, run to our welcoming God.

All: Holy One, you never pass us by.

One: People of God, proclaim our love for the God of Love.

All: Beloved One, you hear our voices;

you answer our cries and receive our praise.

One: People of God, sing God's good news to the world.

All: Empowering One, you give us power

to be signs of the kingdom of heaven.

One: And together let us pray.

All: Loving God, you remind us that the kingdom of heaven has come near.

Open our eyes, our faith, and our hearts, that we may perceive and celebrate your presence. Give us the faith of Paul to trust your unfailing love. Give us hearts empowered by Jesus Christ, to show your compassion to the harassed and the helpless. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who reconciles us to you and sends us forth to be your reconciliation in the

world. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES Insert

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES "Children's Message"

SUNDAY SCHOOL RECOGNITION Insert

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES Insert

## 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 116:1-2, 12-13

THE EPISTLE READING Romans 5:1-8

THE GOSPEL READING Matthew 9:35-10:8

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "The Goodness of God" 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

Ever-present God, you promise us blessings, yet we often do not believe. You always love us, yet we often act distant and even hostile. You empower us to be your loving presence, yet we often seek this power for ourselves. We call upon you now, knowing that you hear our voices and our supplications. We call upon you, for there is no limit to your love for all people, and there is no end to your mercy. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

# WORDS OF ASSURANCE

People of God, the Holy Spirit pours God's love into our hearts In Jesus Christ, we share the grace and glory of God.

# 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

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

CHOIR RECOGNITION Insert

"Season of Promise" Mark Hayes / Herb Frombach OFFERTORY ANTHEM Insert

**CUMC Adult Choir** 

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

# THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Loving God, what shall we return to you for your great bounty in our lives? Your generosity knows no limits. Your loving compassion pours into our hearts and our very beings. We thank you. We call upon your, trusting your love. We offer you all that we have and all that we are, hoping for your glory and desiring your kingdom. 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.

"Go Ye Therefore" Mary McDonald \*HYMN Insert **CUMC Adult Choir** 

# \*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One: May Jesus, who sees the crowd and has compassion,

have compassion on you.

All: May Jesus, who sees a plentiful harvest,

Send you out as laborers in his fields.

One: May Jesus, who sees the kingdom of heaven draw near,

Make you a sign of God's love for all people.

All: 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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