### ORDER OF WORSHIP

(\*) Please stand as you are able.

(UMH) is the United Methodist Hymnal (blue).

(TFWS) is The Faith We Sing songbook (black).

**CHIMES** 

#### MORNING GREETING

L: Happy are those who keep God's decrees, who seek God with their whole heart, who also do no wrong, but walk in God's ways.

#### PRELUDE

My Jesus, I Love Thee - (Arr. M. McDonald)

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

#### \*INVITATION TO WORSHIP

- L: How beautiful is the word of the Lord!
- P: How wise are God's commandments!
- L: Through the Lord's precepts, we gain understanding.
- P: Through God's wisdom, we find truth.
- L: The Lord is our God; we are God's people.
- P: God's word lives within us, for it is written on our hearts. Amen!

## \*OPENING HYMN

Here I Am, Lord - UMH # 593 (v. 1-3)

\*GREETING IN THE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRIST

## SPECIAL MUSIC

He Never Failed Me Yet (Robert Ray) - Combined Choirs, Karen Joy Smith solo

JOYS AND CONCERNS

## MORNING PRAYER (UNISON)

Lord, your words are sweet to the taste, sweeter than honey; let them be our daily meditation and our study. Give us ears to hear, for we marvel at your instruction. Train us in righteousness, grant us patience and persistence, and equip us for every good work. Inspire our faith, and give us voices to proclaim your message. Guide our feet, keep us from every false way, for you alone speak the words of life. We pray today in the name of your Son. Hear us in our time of silent prayer . . .

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**CENTERING HYMN** 

Change My Heart, O God - TFWS # 2152 (Sing 2x)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 - (New Revised Standard Version)

MORNING MESSAGE

Itching Ears - Rev. Scott Andrews

## OFFERING (Offertory Sentence)

L: God helps us avoid that which distracts, the desire to hear the things that please us and make the road easier. God instead brings us to the kingdom of justice, mercy, and compassion you desire for us.

#### OFFFRTORY

Grace Alone (arr. Mark Hayes)

## \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*CLOSING HYMN

**Be Thou My Vision** - UMH # 451 (v. 1-3)

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Llangloffan (J.S. Dixon)

## <u>Participating in the Service Today</u>

Music Director: Anna DeMichele

Pianist: Jamie Dyer Liturgist: Ford Monell

Preaching: Rev. Scott Andrews

Organist: James Petri Guitarist: Ashley Beck

Audio/Visual Tech: Cameron Wilkinson

Altar flowers lovingly provided by Donna Jenks.



Sunday, October 16, 2022

# **ITCHING EARS**

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

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# **GROW**

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

(2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5 – New Revised Standard Version)

Notes:

# **PRAY**

Jason Allen

Dorothy Anderson

Meldene Brown

Cynthia Ching

Betsy Crawford

Mary Dickson

Bonnie Elsten

Lilly Mendoza

Robert Miller

Susan Monell

Gladys Oswell

Thirza Pearce

Sylvia Polinski

Jackie Freeman Christopher Valenzuela Ken Fry Lynn & Linda Williams

Mark Goodrich Marilyn Wissler

Hannah Gough

Jennifer Gray

All military members

Long Beach Firefighters

Helen Hagan People of Ukraine

Paige Hardin Those Traveling during Covid

Phyllis Hart COVID Patients

Sage Holzhauer Cal-Pac Leadership Team
Baby Jessica Cal Heights Leadership Team

Harry Markham

# **STUDY**

**Monday** – Luke 7:36-50

Tuesday – Mark 5:1-20

Wednesday – Matthew 9:1-12

Thursday – Acts 9:10-18

**Friday** – Luke 6:27-36

**Saturday** – John 9:1-12, 35-41

**Sunday** - Joel 2:23-32, Psalm 65, 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18, Luke 18:9-14