

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP  
**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH**

March 3, 2024  
Worship Service: 9:45 a.m.

**The worship service begins with the prelude. Let all the earth keep silent as we are being called into the holiness of God's presence.**

**ENTRANCE**  
*Coming together in the Lord's name*

**PRELUDE**                      *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"*                      Piano

**\*LIGHTING THE ALTAR CANDLES** Bringing in the light of Christ

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN                                    *“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”*    Verses 1-4                                    (# 557)

**FAITH AND PRAYER**  
*Sharing with God through Faith and Prayer*

## SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NEED & LORD'S PRAYER

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH                      *"Apostles Creed"*                      {# 881}

## A TIME TO GIVE BACK

*Sharing with God by Songs and Tithes*

## SPECIAL MUSIC

## OFFERING OUR GIFTS

\*DOXOLOGY                      *"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"*                      {# 95}

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

**PROCLAMATION**  
*Our encounter with the living Christ*

SCRIPTURE READING (NIV)                      Genesis 19:1-29

MESSAGE ***“Waiting on the Promise: Love Honored”*** Speaker

## A Time of Sharing                      *"Holy Communion"*                      *Matthew 26:26-29*

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**  
*Invitation to Christian Discipleship*

\*HYMN OF SENDING FORTH      *"Blessed Assurance"*    Verses 1 - 2      (# 369)

***The altar is open! Come to accept Jesus as your Lord and Savior,  
come to renew your commitment to Christ, come to pray.***

\*EXTINGUISHING THE CANDLES                      Taking the light of Christ into the world

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

**Our service of worship has ended: Our worship through service begins!**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Prayers for God's Healing, Mercy, and Comfort:

**Redacted**

**Prayers for God's Guidance and Grace:** St. John's Church, Whitmell Church of Faith, Unspoken Requests

**3-3-24 – Backpack Ministry meets at 3 p.m. Whitmell Fellowship Hall.**

### 3-10-24 – Daylight Saving Time “Spring Forward”

**3-10-24 – St. John's Church board meeting after worship service.**

**\* Congregation standing as able**