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Prelude

Pastor Eduardo
Carrillo

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WELCOME,
ANNOUNCEMENTS,
and
CELEBRATIONS

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CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: Behold, God is creating a new
heaven and a new earth.

People: **A place where sorrow is no
more.**

CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: Though trials may come, God holds us fast.

People: **We will not fear; our lives rest in God's hands.**

CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: Let us worship the One who brings beauty from brokenness.

People: **Let us rejoice in the hope that endures.**

OPENING PRAYER

**God of all creation, when
the world trembles, your
love holds steady. When
fear rises, your peace
surrounds us. Speak into
our chaos with your
creative word.**



OPENING PRAYER

**Help us live not in despair
but in the deep trust that
you are making all things
new. Amen.**



On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

724

WORDS: Samuel Stennett, 1787

1. On Jordan's stormy
banks I stand,
and cast a wishful eye
to Canaan's fair
and happy land
where my possessions lie.

On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

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WORDS: Samuel Stennett, 1787

I am bound for the promised land,
I am bound for the promised land;
oh, who will come and go with me?
I am bound for the promised land.

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2. O'er all those wide
extended plains
shines one eternal day;
there God the Son
forever reigns,
and scatters night away.

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I am bound for the promised land,
I am bound for the promised land;
oh, who will come and go with me?
I am bound for the promised land.

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3. No chilling winds or poisonous breath
can reach that healthful shore;
sickness and sorrow, pain and death, are
felt and
feared no more.

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I am bound for the promised land,
I am bound for the promised land;
oh, who will come and go with me?
I am bound for the promised land.

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4. When I shall reach that happy place.
I'll be forever blest, for I shall see my
Father's face, and in his bosom rest.

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I am bound for the promised land,
I am bound for the promised land;
oh, who will come and go with me?
I am bound for the promised land.

Young Disciples' Message



Prayer For Illumination

**Spirit of the living God, fall
afresh on me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall
afresh on me.**

**Melt me, mold me, fill me,
use me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall
afresh on me.**





Isaiah 65: 17 – 25

NRSVUE

17 For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

18 But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating, for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy and its people as a delight.

19 I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it or the cry of distress.

20 No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days or an old person who does not live out a lifetime, for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

21 They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their
fruit.

22 They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat, for
like the days of a tree shall the days of my
people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the
work of their hands.

23 They shall not labor in vain or bear children
for calamity, for they shall be offspring
blessed by the LORD— and their descendants
as well.

24 Before they call I will answer, while they are
yet speaking I will hear.

25 The wolf and the lamb shall feed together;
the lion shall eat straw like the ox, but the
serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not
hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says
the LORD.



Luke 21: 5 – 19

NRSVUE

⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said,

⁶ “As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.”

⁷ They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?"

⁸ And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

9 “When you hear of wars and insurrections,
do not be terrified, for these things must take
place first, but the end will not follow
immediately.”

10 Then he said to them, “Nation will rise
against nation and kingdom against kingdom;

11 there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

12 “But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name.

13 This will give you an opportunity to testify.

14 So make up your minds not to prepare
your defense in advance,

15 for I will give you words and a wisdom that
none of your opponents will be able to
withstand or contradict.

16 You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death.

17 You will be hated by all because of my name.

18 But not a hair of your head will perish.

19 By your endurance you will gain your souls.

The Word of God for
the people of God

Thanks be to God



Sermon

“What Endures”

“It Is Well with My Soul” UMH 377

WORDS: Horatio G. Spafford, 1873 MUSIC: Philip P. Bliss, 1876

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

When peace, like a river,
attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot,
thou hast taught me to say,
It is well,
it is well with my soul.

“It Is Well with My Soul” UMH 377

WORDS: Horatio G. Spafford, 1873 MUSIC: Philip P. Bliss, 1876

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

It is well
(it is well)
with my soul
(with my soul),
it is well,
it is well with my soul.

“It Is Well with My Soul” UMH 377

WORDS: Horatio G. Spafford, 1873 MUSIC: Philip P. Bliss, 1876

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Though Satan should buffet,
though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ has regarded
my helpless estate,
and hath shed
his own blood for my soul.

“It Is Well with My Soul” UMH 377

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Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

My sin, oh, the bliss
of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part but the whole,
is nailed to the cross,
and I bear it no more,
praise the Lord,
praise the Lord, O my soul!

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Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

And, Lord, haste the day
when my faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
the trump shall resound,
and the Lord shall descend,
even so,
it is well with my soul.

“It Is Well with My Soul” UMH 377

WORDS: Horatio G. Spafford, 1873 MUSIC: Philip P. Bliss, 1876

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

It is well
(it is well)
with my soul
(with my soul),
it is well,
it is well with my soul.

The Apostle's Creed

Traditional Version

UMH 881

I believe in God
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;

The Apostle's Creed

Traditional Version

UMH 881

And in Jesus Christ

his only Son our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

The Apostle's Creed

Traditional Version

UMH 881

the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the

Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick
and the dead.

The Apostle's Creed

Traditional Version

UMH 881

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

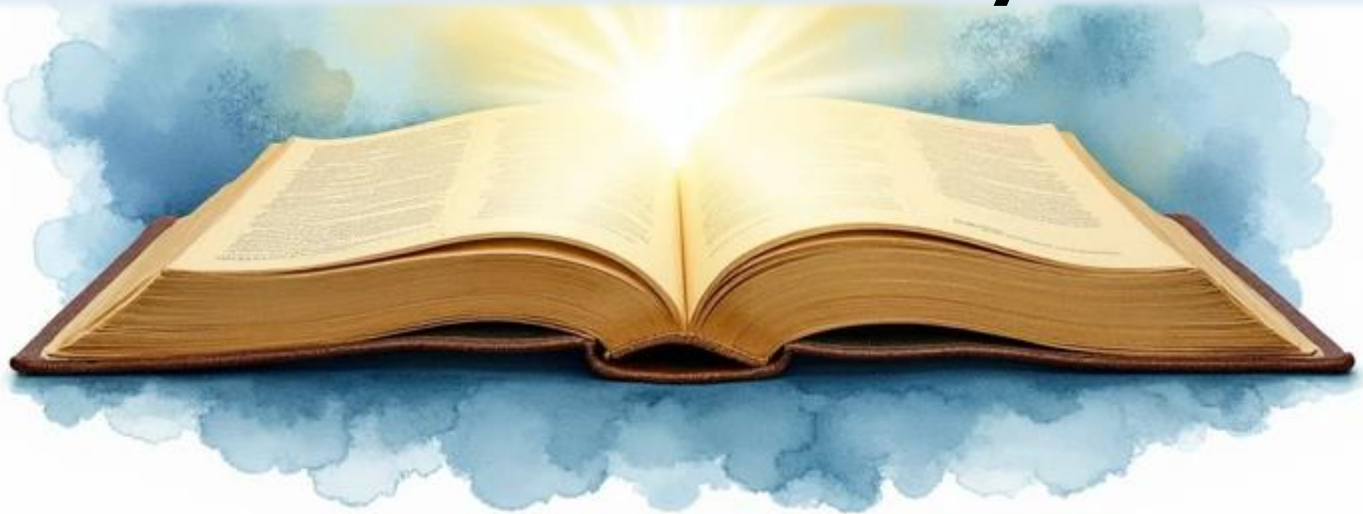


Prayers of the People

Lord,
hear our prayers
as we lift up to
you, our joys
and concerns.



Pastoral Prayer



The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895



Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be
done

on earth as it is in heaven.

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895



Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as
we forgive those who trespass
against us.

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895



And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power,

and the glory,

forever.

Amen

The background of the slide features a soft-focus image of autumn leaves in shades of yellow, orange, and brown. In the lower half, two hands are visible, palms up, in a gesture of offering or prayer. A white rounded rectangle is centered over the image, containing the title and subtitle.

Tithes and Offerings

Worship through giving

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH 94

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674; adapted by Gilbert H. Viera, 1978

MUSIC: Geistliche Kirchengesange, 1623; harmonized by Ralph Vaughn Williams, 1906

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

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!

The background of the image is a soft-focus photograph of autumn leaves in shades of yellow, orange, and brown. In the lower portion of the image, two hands are visible, palms facing upwards in a gesture of prayer or offering. The hands are slightly out of focus, blending into the overall ethereal and warm aesthetic of the scene.

Offertory Prayer

“I’ll Fly Away” TFWS 2282

WORDS and MUSIC: Albert E. Brumley, 1932

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Some glad morning when this life is o’er,
I’ll fly away;
to a home on God’s celestial shore,
I’ll fly away.

“I’ll Fly Away” TFWS 2282

WORDS and MUSIC: Albert E. Brumley, 1932

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

I’ll fly away, O glory,
I’ll fly away.

When I die, hallelujah, by and by,
I’ll fly away.

“I’ll Fly Away” TFWS 2282

WORDS and MUSIC: Albert E. Brumley, 1932

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

When the shadows of this life have gone,
I’ll fly away;
like a bird from prison bars has flown,
I’ll fly away.

“I’ll Fly Away” TFWS 2282

WORDS and MUSIC: Albert E. Brumley, 1932

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

I’ll fly away, O glory,
I’ll fly away.

When I die, hallelujah, by and by,
I’ll fly away.

“I’ll Fly Away” TFWS 2282

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Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Just a few more weary days and then,
I’ll fly away;
to a land where joys shall never end,
I’ll fly away.

“I’ll Fly Away” TFWS 2282

WORDS and MUSIC: Albert E. Brumley, 1932

Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

I’ll fly away, O glory,
I’ll fly away.

When I die, hallelujah, by and by,
I’ll fly away.

A scenic landscape featuring rolling hills and a dense forest of trees with vibrant autumn foliage in shades of yellow, orange, and red. The sky above is a clear blue with scattered white and grey clouds. The word "Benediction" is centered in the image, overlaid on a semi-transparent tan rectangular background.

Benediction

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION



Love. Grow. Serve.

This service has ended, and now
your service in the world begins!

Rectortown United Methodist Church

**serving God with
Prayer, Action, and Love
through Service.**