



# PRELUDE

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WELCOME,  
ANNOUNCEMENTS,  
and  
CELEBRATIONS



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# PRELUDE

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Let us quiet our minds, hearts, and spirits as we begin to focus on the presence of God as we bring the *Light of Christ* into our midst.

# CALL to WORSHIP



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With gifts of praise.

**We come to worship**

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With heartfelt prayers,

**We come to worship and pray.**

# CALL to WORSHIP

With open minds, eager to grow,

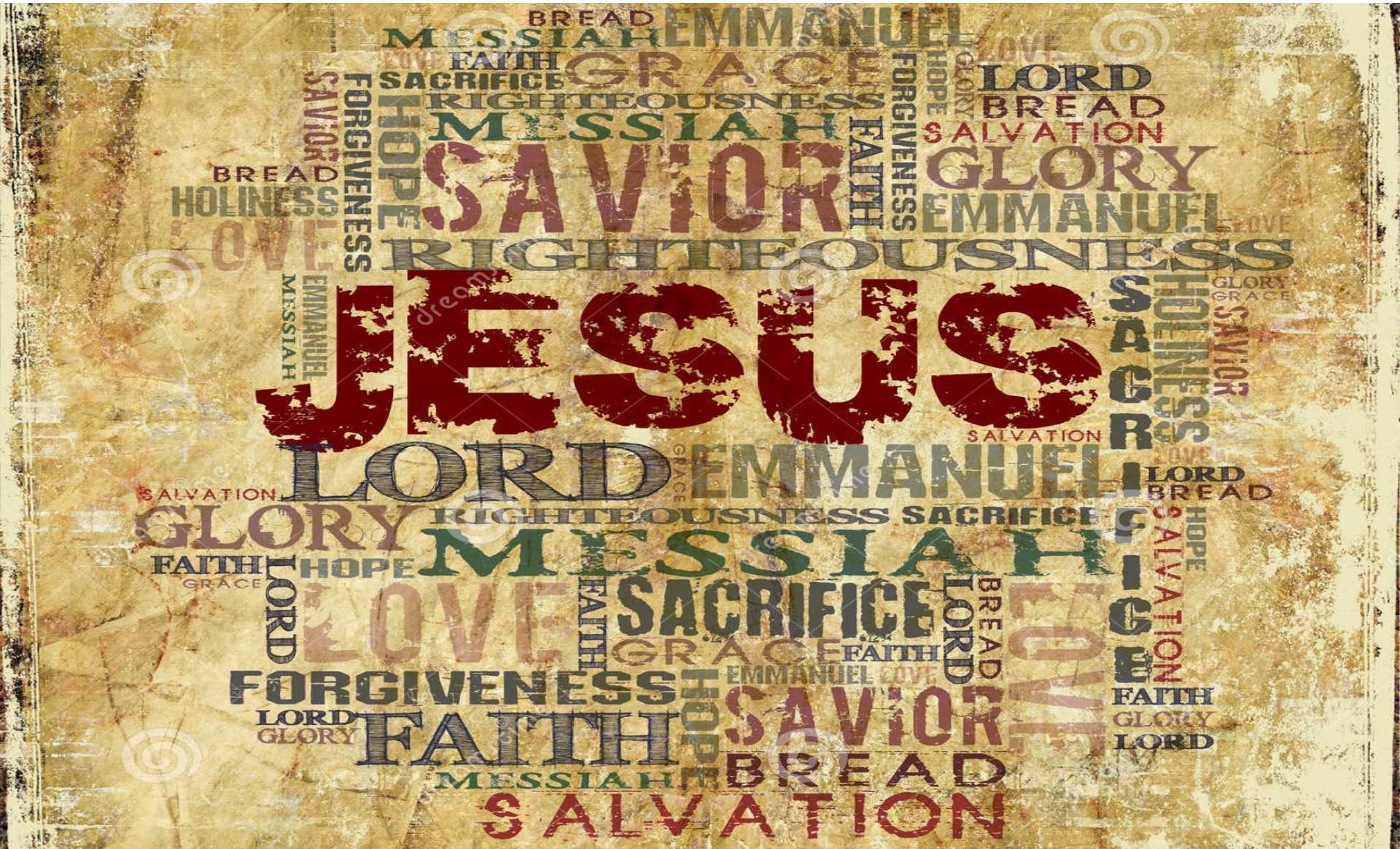
**We come to worship and grow  
this day.**

**AMEN.**

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My hope is built on nothing less  
than Jesus' blood and righteousness.

I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ the solid rock I stand,  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.

# “My Hope is Built” UMH 368

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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

When darkness veils his lovely face,  
I rest on is unchanging grace.

In every high and stormy gale,  
my anchor holds within the veil.

On Christ the solid rock I stand,  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.

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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

His oath, his covenant, his blood  
support me in the whelming flood.

When all around my soul gives way,  
he then is all my hope and stay.

On Christ the solid rock I stand,  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.

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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

When he shall come with trumpet sound,

O may I then in him be found!

Dressed in his righteousness alone,  
faultless to stand before the throne!

On Christ the solid rock I stand,  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.

# OPENING PRAYER



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**Loving God, flow through our worship and our lives. Expand your love in and through each of us and through our community of faith, that we might create a house of such hospitality and love that all may feel truly welcome. Reach out through each of us and through our community of faith, that we might reach out beyond our walls to the stranger, the last, and the lonely, and that we might discover how abundant Your love truly is. Amen.**



# YOUNG DISCIPLES MESSAGE



# PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION





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Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.



# SCRIPTURE READING

## THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET JEREMIAH.

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**2** To whom the word of the LORD came in the days of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, the thirteenth year of his reign.  
**3** It came also in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah the son of Jerusalem captive, in the fifth month.  
**4** Then the word of the LORD came unto me,

Chap. 39, 2. 2 Kings 25, 8. Chap. 52, 12, 15. Exod. 33, 12, 17. Luke 9, 15, 16. He. gave.

an evil shall break forth upon all the inhabitants of the land.  
**15** For lo, I will call all the families of the kingdoms of the north, saith the LORD; and they shall come, and they shall set every one his throne at the entering of the gates of Jerusalem, and against all the walls thereof round about, and against the cities of Judah.  
**16** And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, who have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands, who have despised my name, and have despised my word, saying, I will not be brought low, neither will I be vexed: for I am a fenced city, and an iron pillar, and brazen walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, against the priests thereof, and against the people of the land.  
**19** And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I am with thee, and will deliver thee, saith the LORD.

Chap. 4, 6; 6, 1. He. shall be opened. Chap. 5, 15; 6, 22; 10, 22; 22, 1. Chap. 39, 3; 43, 10. I Kings 18, 46; 2 Kings 4, 29; Job 38, 3. Exod. 3, 12; verse 8; Ezek. 2, 6. Isa. 50, 7; chap. 6, 27; 15, 20. Verse 5.

### CHAPTER II.

showed his former kindness, expostulateth with the Jews who revolt, 1, beyond any example, 9. They are the cause of the word of the LORD came to me, 10.

# Jeremiah 2:4-10

# SCRIPTURE READING

wilderness, through a land of deserts and ravines, a land of drought and utter darkness, a land where no one travels and no one lives?’

<sup>7</sup>I brought you into a fertile land to eat its fruit and rich produce. But you came and defiled my land and made my inheritance detestable.

<sup>8</sup>The priests did not ask, ‘Where is the Lord?’ Those who deal with the law did not know me;

Jeremiah 2:4-10

# SCRIPTURE READING

<sup>4</sup>Hear the word of the Lord, you descendants of Jacob, all you clans of Israel. <sup>5</sup>This is what the Lord says: “What fault did your ancestors find in me, that they strayed so far from me? They followed worthless idols and became worthless themselves. <sup>6</sup>They did not ask, ‘Where is the Lord, who brought us up out of Egypt and led us through the barren

Jeremiah 2:4-10

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the leaders rebelled against me. The prophets prophesied by Baal, following worthless idols.

<sup>9</sup> “Therefore I bring charges against you again,” declares the Lord. “And I will bring charges against your children’s children.

<sup>10</sup> Cross over to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and observe closely; see if there has ever been anything like this:

Jeremiah 2:4-10

# SCRIPTURE READING

*Leader:* This is the word of God for the people of God.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

Jeremiah 2:4-10

# PSALM READING



Psalm 81:1-10

UMH 803

# PSALM READING

*Leader:* <sup>1</sup>Sing aloud to God, our strength;  
shout for joy to the God of Jacob!

*People:* <sup>2</sup>Raise a song, sound the  
tambourine, the sweet lyre with the harp.

**Psalm 81:1-10      UMH 803**



# PSALM READING

*Leader:* <sup>3</sup> Blow the trumpet at the new moon,  
at the full moon, on our feast day.

*People:* <sup>4</sup> For it is a statute for Israel, an  
ordinance of the God of Jacob, <sup>5</sup> who made  
it a decree in Joseph, when God went out  
over the land of Egypt.

**Psalm 81:1-10      UMH 803**

# PSALM READING

*Leader:* I hear a voice I do not know:

*People:* <sup>6</sup>“I relieved your shoulder of the burden; your hands were freed from the basket.

**Psalm 81:1-10      UMH 803**

# PSALM READING

*Leader:* <sup>7</sup> In distress you called, and I delivered you; I answered you in the secret place of thunder; I tested you at the waters of Meribah.

*People:* <sup>8</sup> Hear, O my people, while I admonish you! O Israel, if you would but listen to me!

**Psalm 81:1-10      UMH 803**

# PSALM READING

*Leader:* <sup>9</sup>There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not bow down to a foreign god.

*People:* <sup>10</sup>I am the Lord your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open wide your mouth, and I will fill it.“

**Psalm 81:1-10      UMH 803**

# “Glory Be to the Father” UMH 70

WORDS: Lesser Doxology, 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> century    MUSIC: Charles Meineke, 1844

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Glory be to the Father  
and to the Son  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be,  
world without end.  
Amen. Amen.

# TODAY'S MESSAGE

## “Last Call”

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**4** Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

**5** Before I formed thee in the belly, I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb, I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet to the nations.

**6** Lord God! behold, I cannot say not, I am a man; for I shall send thee, and thou shalt

an evil shall break forth upon all the inhabitants of the land.

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**16** And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, who have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands.

**17** Thou therefore gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them.

**18** For behold, I have made thee this day a defenced city, and an iron pillar, and brazen walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, against the people of the land, against the priests thereof, and against the word of the LORD came unto me,

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WORDS and MUSIC: Carol Owens, 1972

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God forgave my sin in Jesus' name,  
I've been born again in Jesus' name,  
and in Jesus' name I come to you,  
to share his love as he told me to.



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WORDS and MUSIC: Carol Owens, 1972

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He said,  
“Freely, freely you have received,  
freely, freely give.  
Go in my name  
and because you believe,  
others will know that I live.”

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All power is given in Jesus' name,  
in earth and heaven in Jesus' name,  
and in Jesus' name I come to you,  
to share his power as he told me to.

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AFFIRMATION OF OUR  
FAITH UMH 882



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I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven  
and earth.



# AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH UMH 882

I believe 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, died,  
and was buried; he  
descended to the dead.



# AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH UMH 882

On the third day he  
rose again; he  
ascended into heaven,  
is seated at the right  
hand of the Father,  
and will come again to  
judge the living and  
the dead.



# AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH UMH 882

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 our concerns.*



# Pastoral Prayer

# 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!

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# Offertory Prayer

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A wooden cross stands against a blue sky with white clouds. The cross is made of two weathered wooden beams, one vertical and one horizontal, intersecting in the center. The sky is a vibrant blue with soft, white, fluffy clouds scattered throughout. The cross is positioned in the lower right quadrant of the image, with its top extending towards the center. The overall scene is peaceful and serene.

# 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.





# “Close to Thee” UMH 407

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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Thou my everlasting portion,  
more than friend or life to me,  
all along my pilgrim journey,  
Savior, let me walk with thee.

Close to thee, close to thee,  
close to thee, close to thee,  
all along my pilgrim journey,  
Savior, let me walk with thee.

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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Not for ease or worldly pleasure,  
nor for fame my prayer shall be;  
gladly will I toil and suffer,  
only let me walk with thee.

Close to thee, close to thee,  
close to thee, close to thee,  
gladly will I toil and suffer,  
only let me walk with thee.

# “Close to Thee” UMH 407

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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Lead me through the vale of shadows,  
bear me o'er life's fitful sea;  
then the gate of life eternal  
may I enter, Lord, with thee.

Close to thee, close to thee,  
close to thee, close to thee,  
then the gate of life eternal  
may I enter, Lord, with thee.

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Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go,  
my daily labor to pursue;  
thee, only thee, resolved to know  
in all I think or speak or do.

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MUSIC: John Hatton, 1793

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

The task thy wisdom hath assigned,  
O let me cheerfully fulfill;  
in all my works thy presence find,  
and prove thy good and perfect will.

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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Thee may I set at my right hand,  
whose eyes mine inmost substance see;  
and labor on at thy command,  
and offer all my works to thee.



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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

For thee delightfully employ  
whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given;  
and run my course with even joy,  
and closely walk with thee to heaven.

# Rectortown United Methodist Church

serving God with  
**P**rayer, **A**ction, and **L**ove  
through **S**ervice.