

# Welcome to the Rectortown United Methodist Church

*No matter where you have been or where you have failed to be –  
what you have said or what you have failed to say - what you have  
done or what you have failed to do - whom you have loved or whom  
you have failed to love - you are welcome here.*

## **ENTRANCE**

**PRELUDE** - let us quiet our minds, hearts, and spirits as we begin to focus on the presence of God as we become aware of the *Light of Christ* in our midst.

## **WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS and CELEBRATIONS**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP** *(from the Abingdon Worship Annual, 2021, p. 132)*

As you enter this sacred space, may you be renewed by the steadfast love of God. May your spirit be filled with the Spirit of Christ, and may you sing praises and give glory to God.

People of God, enter this place with thanksgiving and praise...

**for the Lord is good.**

Come and rejoice, sing glory to God...

**for the Lord is good.**

Remember, the steadfast love of God endures forever...

**for the Lord is good.**

**HYMN** Open My Eyes, That I May See UMH 454

### **OPENING PRAYER** *(from the Abingdon Worship Annual, 2021, pp. 132-133)*

**Most loving and gracious God – some of us come to this place full of anticipation and joy, others come weary and tired. And some of us come here today wondering why we are even here. Renew us in your Holy Spirit. Remind us that your steadfast love follows us wherever we go. Increase our faith, so that we may not lose heart**

**or become burdened by the challenges of life. Help us hear again the words of Christ: “Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother. We are yours, O God. Thank you for claiming us as your own. All this we pray in Jesus’s name. Amen.**

## **YOUNG DISCIPLES’ MESSAGE**

We are family...

## **PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

*(adapted from FOTW Worship Companion, Year B, Volume 2, p. 22)*

**Holy God – let your Spirit now move in us, so turn us away from the temporary and move us to your eternal love made visible in Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

### **FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

1 Samuel 8:4-11

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM RESPONSIVE READING**

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### **GOSPEL READING**

Mark 3:20-35

\* Gloria Patri

UMH 70

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.

**MESSAGE** A house divided...

**HYMN** Grace Alone

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**INVITATION, CONFESSION, and PARDON**

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**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
GIVING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

Offertory Prayer

***THANKSGIVING***

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

***SENDING FORTH***

**HYMN** Lord of the Dance UMH 261

**SENDING FORTH**

Forth In Thy Name, O Lord UMH 438

***This worship service has ended, and now your service begins.  
As you leave church today, you are entering the mission field.***

**Questions for Reflection**

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What unseen assurances of God's eternal  
glory are given to you this week?

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