

# 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.*

*\* Please Stand As You Are Able and Comfortable*

## **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** *(adapted from the Abingdon Worship Annual, 2021, p.157)*

May our lives be an honor and glory to God,  
who is our hope and our salvation.

The earth is God's and everything in it.

**We belong to our God.**

Lift up your voices in praise and thanksgiving.

**We lift our voices in glory and honor to God.**

**\* HYMN** Blessed Assurance UMH 369

**OPENING PRAYER** *(adapted from the Abingdon Worship Annual, 2021, p. 157)*

**Everlasting God of grace and glory – renew us with your presence this day. As we gather to bless your name and sing your praise, bless us with your glorious love and your guiding light.**

**Strengthen us each and every hour, through the power of your Holy Spirit and the wisdom of your holy word. In hope and joy we pray in Jesus's name. Amen.**

## **YOUNG DISCIPLES' MESSAGE**

We are chosen...

## **PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

*(adapted from FOTW Worship Companion, Year B, Volume 2, p. 78)*

**Eternal God – your Word brings peace to all who turn to you. Send your Holy Spirit to dwell in and among us so that we may be empowered to share the love of God and the grace of Christ in all the world. Amen.**

### **FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM RESPONSIVE READING**

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UMH 755

### **SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

Ephesians 1:3-14

\* Gloria Patri

UMH 70

**MESSAGE** *To bring all things together...*

**\* HYMN** Do, Lord, Remember Me UMH 527

**\* AFFIRMATION of OUR FAITH** UMH 882

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

## GIVING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

- \* Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow UMH 94
- \* Offertory Prayer

## THANKSGIVING

- \* The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

## SENDING FORTH

- \* HYMN Victory in Jesus UMH 370

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- \* El Shaddai UMH 123

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

## Questions for Reflection

(adapted from FOTW Worship Companion, Year B, Volume 2, p. 79)

To experience one's self as God's beloved is a gift beyond compare. For some, it is difficult to receive such a gift; for others, such grace comes more easily. How can we deepen our experience of that gift in ourselves? How might we encourage this gift in others?

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July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

**God**  
**Made the Promise;**  
**Christ**  
**Fulfilled the Promise;**  
**the Spirit**  
**Became the Promised Blessing;**  
**We**  
**Enjoy the Blessing!**

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*Ministers: every member of the congregation*