

# **FRIENDLY REMINDER**

**Our Sunday service is live-streamed, and microphones pick up sound throughout the sanctuary.**

**Recording begins at least 15 minutes before the service to include announcements.**

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# Prelude

Pastor Eduardo  
Carrillo

*Baptism Sunday*

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WELCOME,  
ANNOUNCEMENTS,  
and  
CELEBRATIONS

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# CALL to WORSHIP

*Leader:* We come to the water

*People:* **to celebrate God's goodness!**

*Leader:* We come to the water

*People:* **to celebrate God's love!**

# CALL to WORSHIP

*Leader:* We come to the water to  
remember

*People:* **that we are beloved, cherished,  
and forgiven!**

# OPENING PRAYER

**Holy God, we thank you  
today for the gift of  
baptism and how it unites  
us as one by the Holy  
Spirit. We thank you that  
before we do anything,  
you claim us as beloved,**



# OPENING PRAYER

**surround us in  
community, and nurture  
us to be your people. As  
we celebrate the meaning  
of baptism today, we ask  
once again for your  
cleansing love to wash  
over us.**





# OPENING PRAYER

**Help us to remember that  
we all belong to the body  
of Christ; we each have a  
special role in your family;  
and we are sent out into  
the world to do good and  
resist evil in your name.**

**Amen.**





# “How Great Thou Art” UMH 77

WORDS and MUSIC: Stuart K. Hine, 1953

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

O Lord my God!  
when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the worlds  
thy hands have made,  
I see the stars,  
I hear the rolling thunder,  
thy power throughout  
the universe displayed.

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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Then sings my soul,  
my Savior God to thee;  
how great thou art,  
how great thou art!

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my Savior God to thee;  
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how great thou art!

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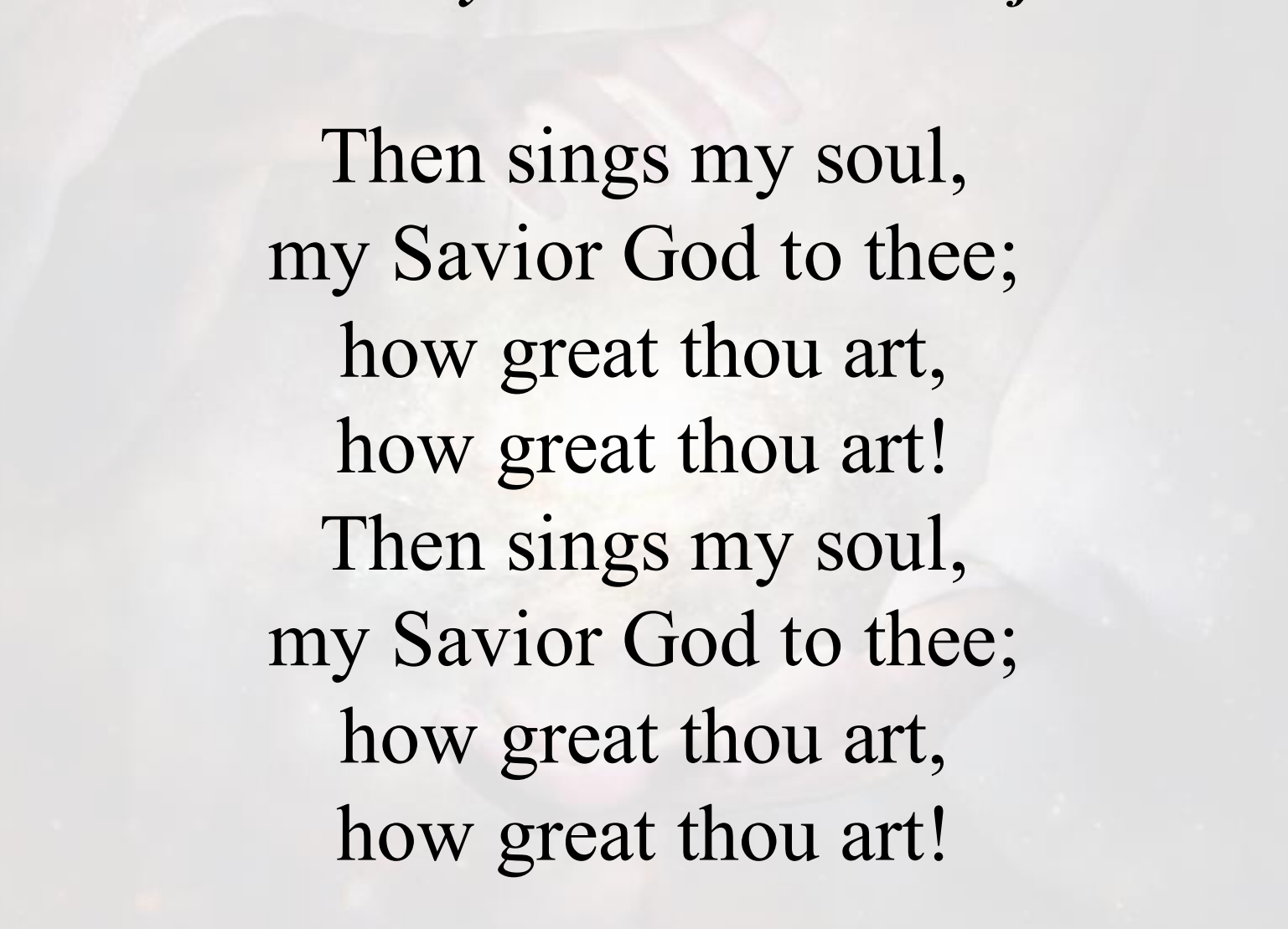
*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

When through the woods  
and forest glades I wander,  
and hear the birds  
sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down  
from lofty mountain grandeur  
and hear the brook,  
and feel the gentle breeze;

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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

And when I think  
that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die,  
I scarce can take it in;  
that on the cross,  
my burden gladly bearing,  
he bled and died  
to take away my sin;

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*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

When Christ shall come  
with shout of acclamation  
and take me home,  
what joy shall fill my heart.

Then I shall bow  
in humble adoration,  
and there proclaim,  
my God, how great thou art!



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# 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 43: 1 – 7

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<sup>1</sup>But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine.

<sup>2</sup> When you pass through the waters, I will be with you, and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

<sup>3</sup> For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

<sup>4</sup> Because you are precious in my sight and honored and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

**5** Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring  
your offspring from the east, and from the  
west I will gather you;

**6** I will say to the north, “Give them up,” and  
to the south, “Do not withhold; bring my sons  
from far away and my daughters from the end  
of the earth—



7 everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made."

# Mark 1: 4 – 12

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NRSVUE



<sup>4</sup> so John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

<sup>5</sup> And the whole Judean region and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him and were baptized by him in the River Jordan, confessing their sins.

<sup>6</sup> Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey.

<sup>7</sup> He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the strap of his sandals.

**8** I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

**9** In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.

**10** And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove upon him.

**11** And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

**12** And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness.

The Word of God for  
the people of God

**Thanks be to God**





# **Sermon**

**“Baptism”**

# “Spirit Song” UMH 347

WORDS and MUSIC: John Wimber, 1979

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

O let the Son of God enfold you  
with his Spirit and his love.

Let him fill your heart  
and satisfy your soul.

O let him have the things that hold you,  
and his Spirit like a dove  
will descend upon your life  
and make you whole.

# “Spirit Song” UMH 347

WORDS and MUSIC: John Wimber, 1979

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Jesus, O Jesus,  
come and fill your lambs.

Jesus, O Jesus,  
come and fill your lambs.

# “Spirit Song” UMH 347

WORDS and MUSIC: John Wimber, 1979

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

O come and sing this song with gladness  
as your hearts are filled with joy.

Lift your hands in sweet  
surrender to his name.

O give him all your tears and sadness;  
give him all your years of pain,  
and you'll enter into life  
in Jesus' name.



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# The Apostle's Creed

UMH 881

Traditional Version

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

# The Apostle's Creed

UMH 881

Traditional Version

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

UMH 881

Traditional Version

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

UMH 881

Traditional Version

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.

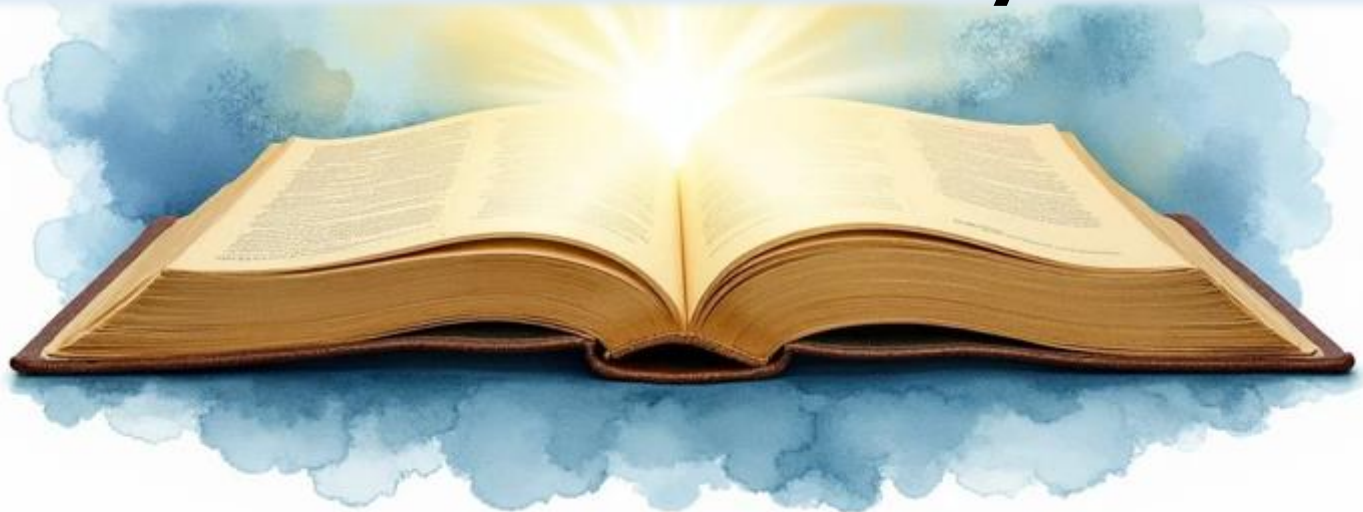


# Prayers of the People

**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 photograph of a church interior. In the foreground, the back of a person wearing a white, textured robe is visible. In the background, a large, colorful stained glass window is partially visible, with light streaming through it. The overall atmosphere is serene and spiritual.

# 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!

A person wearing a white, textured robe is shown from the chest up, with their hands raised and fingers interlaced to form a heart shape. The background is a soft, out-of-focus scene with numerous small, white, particle-like elements falling or floating around, creating a dreamy, ethereal atmosphere. The lighting is soft and diffused, highlighting the texture of the robe and the delicate nature of the falling particles.

# *Offertory Prayer*

# “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” UMH 420

WORDS: Edwin Hatch, 1878    MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what thou dost love,  
and do what thou wouldst do.

# “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” UMH 420

WORDS: Edwin Hatch, 1878    MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
until my heart is pure,  
until with thee I will one will,  
to do and to endure.

# “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” UMH 420

WORDS: Edwin Hatch, 1878    MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
till I am wholly thine,  
till all this earthly part of me  
glows with thy fire divine.

# “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” UMH 420

WORDS: Edwin Hatch, 1878    MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
so shall I never die,  
but live with thee the perfect life  
of thine eternity.





# *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.**