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Life of the Church/Announcements/Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

We are called to be faithful followers of the living God.

God's faithfulness to us calls for a faithful response!

Even when we cannot see where we are going, God is faithfully leading us.

We trust in God, and God will not disappoint us.

We will not always understand our circumstances.

God is sovereign and good; we depend on the Lord's unfailing grace.

Our trials and difficulties do not diminish our hope.

Faith is believing in what we do not see.

Our faith stands firm. We are confident in God's love.

Like Moses, let us be found faithful, holding fast to God's promises and mercy.

Hymn: "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" p.368

1. 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.

[Refrain]

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

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

[Refrain]

3. 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.

[Refrain]

4. 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!

[Refrain]

Refrain:

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

Prayer of Confession:

Merciful Savior, you speak the words of eternal life. As that word is spoken before us, we ask that it open our hearts, enliven our minds, infuse our spirits and encourage our souls. We thank you that your word continues to speak to us in the joys and struggles of our 21st century lives, and we open ourselves now to receive the truth you would have us hear. Forgive us when we put our trust in other voices of salvation. Amen.

Concerns & Celebrations & Lord's Prayer

Tithes & Offerings/ Offertory/ *Doxology* UMH # 95

Hymn of Preparation: "Lord I want to be a Christian" p.402

1. Lord, I want to
be a Christian
in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be a Christian
in my heart. (in my heart)

In my heart, (in my heart)

in my heart, (in my heart)

Lord, I want
to be a Christian

in my heart. (in my heart)

2. Lord, I want
to be more loving
in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want
to be more loving

in my heart. (in my heart)

In my heart, (in my heart)

in my heart, (in my heart)

Lord, I want
to be more loving
in my heart. (in my heart)

3. Lord, I want
to be more holy
in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want
to be more holy

in my heart. (in my heart)

In my heart, (in my heart)

in my heart, (in my heart)

Lord, I want
to be more holy

in my heart. (in my heart)

**4. Lord, I want
to be like Jesus
in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want
to be like Jesus
in my heart. (in my heart)**

**In my heart, (in my heart)
in my heart, (in my heart)
Lord, I want
to be like Jesus
in my heart. (in my heart)**

**Written Word of God
Deuteronomy 34:1-12**

The Death of Moses

34 Then Moses climbed Mount Nebo from the plains of Moab to the top of Pisgah, across from Jericho. There the LORD showed him the whole land—from Gilead to Dan, ² all of Naphtali, the territory of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Mediterranean Sea, ³ the Negev and the whole region from the Valley of Jericho, the City of Palms, as far as Zoar. ⁴ Then the LORD said to him, “This is the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob when I said, ‘I will give it to your descendants.’ I have let you see it with your eyes, but you will not cross over into it.” ⁵ And Moses the servant of the LORD died there in Moab, as the LORD had said. ⁶ He buried him^[a] in Moab, in the valley opposite Beth Peor, but to this day no one knows where his grave is. ⁷ Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died, yet his eyes were not weak nor his strength gone. ⁸ The Israelites grieved for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days, until the time of weeping and mourning was over.

⁹ Now Joshua son of Nun was filled with the spirit^[b] of wisdom because Moses had laid his hands on him. So the Israelites listened to him and did what the LORD had commanded Moses.

¹⁰ Since then, no prophet has risen in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, ¹¹ who did all those signs and wonders the LORD sent him to do in Egypt—to Pharaoh and to all his officials and to his whole land. ¹² For no one has ever shown the mighty power or performed the awesome deeds that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

Matthew 22:41-46

Whose Son Is the Messiah?

⁴¹ While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, ⁴² “What do you think about the Messiah? Whose son is he?”

“The son of David,” they replied.

⁴³ He said to them, “How is it then that David, speaking by the Spirit, calls him ‘Lord’? For he says,

⁴⁴ “The Lord said to my Lord:

“Sit at my right hand
until I put your enemies
under your feet.”^[a]

⁴⁵ If then David calls him ‘Lord,’ how can he be his son?” ⁴⁶ No one could say a word in reply, and from that day on no one dared to ask him any more questions.

The Spoken Word

Hymn of Commitment: “Take My Life” p.399

**1. Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments
and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands,
and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet,
and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.
2. Take my voice,
and let me sing
always, only, for my King.
Take my lips,
and let them be
filled with messages from thee.**

**Take my silver
and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
every power as
thou shalt choose.
3. Take my will,
and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart,
it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.
Take my love,
my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its
treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.**

Benediction