



+ Those who are able are invited to stand.
 UMH - United Methodist Hymnal FWS – The Faith We Sing
 You are invited to respond with the **Bold** responses.

MOMENTS OF CENTERING

We have known the pain of finding a favorite toy broken by constant use and have winced when a broken bone was the result of hard play. We have endured the breakup of relationships and behaved in ways that pushed parents or partners to near breakdowns. We have felt the twinge of breaking away from the place of our upbringing and have savored the joy of breakthroughs in the growth of spirit or intellect. We have experienced broken bonds of friendship and have faced interruptions in our planned career course. We have recognized in moments of clear and honest reflection, that someday there will be a break with life itself. This day we gather to worship the God whose love makes us whole amid brokenness and gives us hope in all circumstances.

Good Morning and Welcome to Worship!

THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP

- PRE-SERVICE MUSIC *Renee Warner*
- ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HOSPITALITY
- PRELUDE *Dan Martin*
- SERVICE OF LIGHT *The Acolytes*
Jesus said, "I am the Light of the world."

+CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *UMH 170*
O How I Love Jesus, v. 1

There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth; it sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth.

Refrain: O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, because he first loved me!

+CALL TO WORSHIP *Responsively*

When forces in the world threaten us, when our bodies or spirits turn against us, there is One who seeks us, One who meets us, One who heals us, whose love washes over us and sets us free for joy. This One is the Lord.

Come, let us worship God.

+INVOCATION

God of abundant grace, may your Holy Spirit be with us now as we worship you this day.

Open our eyes to truly see one another, that we might discover your presence in the smile of a neighbor.

Open our ears to the needs of the world, that we might hear your wisdom in the words spoken around us.

And open our hearts to your grace and love, that we might find guidance and strength for the journey, for ourselves and for one another. **Amen.**

+HYMN OF PRAISE *UMH 61*
Come, Thou Almighty King

THE CHURCH IN MOMENTS OF CONFESSION
 NEW TESTAMENT LESSON *Romans 14:1-12*
 CHORAL CALL TO CONFESSION *FWS 2200*
O Lord, Hear My Prayer
O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *Responsively*
 Gracious and loving God, we find it difficult at times to place our trust in you. Too often we look at the world, and see only violence, pain, destruction, and signs of hopelessness and despair. Too often we rely on our own strength, our own plans, our own devices, rather than trusting in your hand to hold us, your love to sustain us, and your wisdom to see us through.

Forgive us, Holy One. Help us turn to you when we are lost, that we might find our way home. Help us navigate the treacherous waters of this world, that we might experience your abundant grace, mercy, and love. Help us put our trust in you, that the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus may shine in our lives for all to see.

PERSONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS *Responsively*
 Jesus said, "there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance."
 My friends, experience God's forgiveness and joy—gifts that leads to new life!

Thanks be to God. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

RESPONSE *Give Thanks* *FWS 2036*
Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong;" let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us." Give thanks!

THE CHURCH WORSHIPS WITH OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY INVITATION & PRAYER

+DOXOLOGY *UMH 94*
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!

THE CHURCH LISTENS

THE WORD

CHORAL CALL TO CHILDRENS SERMON
My Tribute *UMH 99*

To God be the glory, to God be the glory, to God be the glory for the things he has done. With his blood he has saved me; with his power he has raised me; to God be the glory for the things he has done.

WIGGLETIME

Following Wiggletime, the Children are invited to
CHILDREN'S CHURCH



ANTHEM *Chancel Choir*
SERMON *Rev. Steve*

THE CHURCH SCATTERS AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

+HYMN OF COMMITMENT *UMH 121*
There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

+SERVICE OF LIGHT *The Acolytes*
Jesus said, "You are the light of the world."

+BENEDICTION *Pastor*
Go in peace into God's world to serve and help others. Go in confidence of God's presence with you. Go into this world with messages of hope and reconciliation. Go in love.
Amen.

+POSTLUDE *Dan Martin*
...and the worship continues.

