

+ 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. THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP

### MOMENTS OF CENTERING

Let me fill you with my Love, Joy, and Peace. These are Glory-gifts, flowing from my living Presence. Though you are an earthen vessel, I designed you to be filled with heavenly contents. Your weakness is not a deterrent to being filled with My Spirit; on the contrary, it provides an opportunity for My Power to shine forth more brightly.

As you go through this day, trust Me to provide the strength that you need moment by moment. Don't waste energy wondering whether you are adequate for today's journey. My Spirit within you is more than sufficient to handle whatever this day may bring. That is the basis for your confidence! In quietness (spending time with Me) and confident trust (relying on My sufficiency) is your strength.

–Jesus Calling

## THANKS BE TO GOD. WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Carolyn Brown

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HOSPITALITY

#### PRELUDE

Dan Martin

The Acolytes

SERVICE OF LIGHT Jesus said, "I am the Light of the world."

+CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP UMH 99 *Mv Tribute* 

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.

+CALL TO WORSHIP In the midst of our troubles, we cry aloud to God.

Responsively

God always hears our cries and responds to our needs.

God brings us up out of our trouble and sets us in a safe place.

God comforts and restores our souls.

The Lord has turned our mourning into dancing!

We have been clothed with joy and hope!

#### +INVOCATION

Holy God, you are for all the world a river of shelter and nourishment, a city of joy and riches, the defender of those you love. Take us into your arms again this day and feed us with the power of your comfort, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

**+HYMN OF PRAISE** 

*UMH 66* 

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

# THE CHURCH CONFESSES

#### THE PSALTER

Psalm 25:1-10

Leader

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

When we walk from darkness into the light, we can see ourselves as we really are. We see the spots of sin more clearly, and we realize that we need God's healing and redemption. Come and confess your sins to God, and wade into the river of the Healer's mercy.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Responsively

God, you have caught us in our sinful behavior. We come to you with the hope of your restoration. We walk with our heads held high, without noticing others and their burdens. We are even blinded to our own!

We keep our mouths silent when we are full of stories to share about the good things that you have done for us. We even keep our actions silenced as we become so overwhelmed with the needs of the world that we do nothing to overcome them.

Fill us with your peace and with your mercy. Free us from the destruction of sin and restore us to a life lived in you. Please Lord, forgive us.

#### PERSONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENES** Responsively Peace! Peace is what you receive from God when you know that your sins are forgiven. Peace is what you have when you know that the destruction of sin cannot harm you, because you are not alone in your journey of life. Peace, my sisters, and brothers!

In Jesus we have received forgiveness, and we have been restored!

#### Amen.

# THE CHURCH WORSHIPS BY GIVING **OFFERTORY INVITATION & PRAYER**

**OFFERTORY** +DOXOLOGY

*UMH 94* 

Dan Martin

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

CALL TO CHILDREN'S SERMON UMH 92 For the Beauty of the Earth, v. 4

4. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild;

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

WIGGLETIME	Then, to Children's Church
HYMN	<i>UMH 629</i>
You Satisfy the Hungry Heart	
SERMON	Rev. M. Steven Meadows
PIANO SOLO	Carolyn Brown

THE CHURCH CELEBRATES THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.

As you see others coming forward for communion and prayer, ask God to surround them with his healing, life-sustaining presence.

Give thanks for that person and, if you are aware of their needs or concerns, ask the Good Shepherd to tend to them and lead them in his love.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING UMH 13-14

Unison

#### 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.

#### BREAKING THE BREAD

Because there is one loaf, we, who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf. The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

The cup over which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, given for you.

## THE CHURCH SCATTERS AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

+CLOSING PRAYER

Pastor

For the healing you have given us in the broken bread and the sharing of the cup, we thank you.

For the community that you have restored in us through the sharing of life, we thank you.

For the courage and strength that you have promised to us, letting the Good News sound out in our world and lives in love, we thank you.

#### Amen.

+HYMN OF COMMITMENT UMH 702 Sing with All the Saints in Glory

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

+POSTLUDE

Dan Martin

...and the worship continues.

