

Prelude ~ “Amazing Grace/My Chains are Gone” **Praise Band**

Welcome & Announcements

Worship Leader: Allison Poore

Christ’s Light Enters “I Will Call Upon the Lord” #2002

**(Please stand as you are able)*

*Call to Worship

We come to worship our God.

We come to worship the God of love, mercy, and grace.

Our God calls us by name.

We belong to God.

Therefore, we gather together in joy and hope!

Praise the Lord!

***Opening Song** “Shine, Jesus, Shine” #2173

Opening Prayer

God of faith and hope, as we come together to worship you and to draw our strength from you, we seek your peace which passes all understanding. We pray that the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts might be acceptable to you, our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.

The Psalm Psalm 139: 1-12 #887
Liturgist: Marsha Wentz

Children’s Message Puppets
[After Children’s Moment, children may go to the nursery or return to their parents.]

Gospel Reading Matthew 6:27-34

Sermon “Anxiety and Physical Illness” **Pastor Melanie Adams**
Part 11 of Series: With Courage and Hope

Response “All I Need Is You” #2080

Sharing of Prayers: Celebrations and Concerns

Silent Meditation and Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer #895

The Offering “Oceans” Soloist: **Maddie Johnson**

The Doxology “Give Thanks” #2036

*Offertory Prayer [Unison]

Ever Generous God, we, your people have shown our gratitude to you through the giving of these gifts. We believe this is a ministry to which you have called us: a ministry of generosity and grace. We dedicate these gifts to your service, trusting that they do make a real difference in the lives of many. In Christ we pray. Amen.

***Closing Song** “You Are Mine” #2218

Our Purpose

What is our purpose? **To provide a place for all to BELONG to our community, BELIEVE in and experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ, and BECOME his disciples. BELONG! BELIEVE! BECOME!**

Benediction

Benediction Response “Grace Alone” #2162

Postlude

God Welcomes All and So Do We!!!!!!

UPDATED 740 Prayer Initiative

(Thank you for stepping up your prayers for our congregation! Set your phones to remind yourself to stop at 7:40 am and/or 7:40 pm each day to pray for our church and the mission and ministry we are called to do. Where did we come up with the number 740? It is our street address number. If you can’t pray at 7:40, choose another time. The important thing is that we are praying!)

Scriptures for prayer: “So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up” Galatians 6:9.

“Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us” Ephesians 3:20.

Please pray that God continues to work in our hearts and through the work of our hands so that others may also come to experience Christ’s love. Pray that God would lead us and equip us for the living out of our purpose (what we repeat at the end of each service). And pray that God help each of us to be a follower of Christ committed to living a life of worship & hospitality, a life of opening our heart to the Holy Spirit, and a life of service & generosity. Pray for those who are seated around you in worship, whether you know them by name or not. Remember to lift up the need of our community and world. Pray the news: as you listen to the news of each day pray about each situation.

Give thanks to God! “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you” 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18

PRAYERS

Please see the Prayer Board outside the office for ongoing prayer requests.

Pray for our congregation: For the ministry of making, nurturing, and sending out of disciples; because we believe that God's Love is the answer for the most difficult questions of our world today.

Jesus changes lives!

Tim Holt

Dewayne Kasl Family

Andy Lambert

Richard Swenson

Dorothy Torgler

Trish Waterman

Thoughts to Ponder

Four-sided

**Breathing Exercise
(to help anxiety)**

- 1. Breathe in slowly for a count of four.**
- 2. Hold your breath for a count of four.**
- 3. Exhale slowly, for a count of four.**
- 4. Hold the exhale, lungs empty, for a count of four.**

While doing this exercise you might add a short prayer, such as: "Surround me with your peace, O God."

Events this week in church:

Sunday, March 24th:

- 9:00 am Chapel Communion
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Worship Service
- 11:30 am Italian Dinner



Monday, March 25th:

Easter Lilly Orders Due

Wednesday, March 27th:

- 5:00 pm Sittin' With Jesus
- 5:30 pm Choir Practice
- 5:45 pm Table Talk Meal
- 6:30 pm Table Talk Classes

Thursday, March 28th:

Noodle Making Day

Friday, March 29th:

GP Support Team Conference

Saturday, March 30th:

GP Support Team Conference

Sunday, March 31st:

- 9:00 am Chapel Communion
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Worship Service
- 11:30 am Fellowship



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UMW celebrated
150 years on
March 23rd.

Annual Chicken & Noodle Dinner

Sunday, April 7th

11:30 am - 1:00 pm



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