## **Order of Celebration**

March 17, 2019 → 10:30 AM Second Sunday of Lent

### **GATHERING**

**Gathering Music** 

Welcome

\*Songs O Worship the King UMH 73

To God Be the Glory UMH 98

Sharing the Life of the Church

Please complete the Communication Card and place in the offering plate. If you have a prayer request, fill out a prayer card that will be collected during the first song

Centering Music and Service of Lights

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Loving God, we come to you in worship and thanksgiving.

You are greater than we can understand;

All: Open our eyes that we may see the wonderful truths you

have shown to us in Jesus. You are more loving than our hearts can respond to. Help us to give ourselves to you in

worship so that we learn what you want us to be.

Leader: Loving God, in Jesus you chose to come to the world in

humility. You chose that path the world saw as foolish. You

used what the world considered weak.

All: We thank and praise you for coming to us to be our Savior.

We worship you today.

\*Song Where Charity and Love Prevail UMH 549

Children ages 3-5th grade are invited to Fellowship Hall for "Kids Rock"

#### THE WORD

We remember to walk unafraid in these words from the Psalms

(Psalm 136: select verses)

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord of lords.

All: His faithful love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to him who alone does mighty miracles.

All: His faithful love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to him who made the heavens so skillfully.

All: His faithful love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to him who made the heavenly lights.

All: His faithful love endures forever!

Gospel Lesson Matthew 18: 8 - 20 pg 1195

Epistle Lesson Ephesians 4: 1 - 6 pg 1425 -26

Message "Journeying into God's Future:

How Do We Journey?"

### **OUR RESPONSE**

Song The Gift of Love UMH 408

Offering Invitation (I John 3: 17 - 18)

How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses to help? Dear children, let us love, not in word or speech, but also in truth and action.

Offertory Music

\*Doxology UMH 95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below.

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### \*Dedication Prayer (in unison)

Generous God, please receive our offerings today. Guide those who use it, that it may help to bring fullness of life to those who live in need and long for our care. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### WE ARE SENT FORTH

\*Song Help Us Accept Each Other

**UMH 560** 

Taking the Light to the World

Benediction

Pastor: May the God of peace sanctify you through and through.

May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Go in peace and

serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

#### Postlude

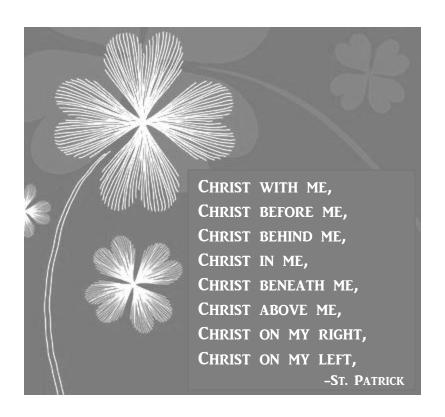
We invite you to enjoy the closing music or depart the sanctuary as you choose.

Please Join us for Coffee and Conversation in Fellowship Hall

\*Please stand as you feel comfortable



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