# **Order of Celebration**

September 9, 2018 • 10:30 AM

### **GATHERING**

## **Gathering Music**

### Sharing the Life of the Church

Please complete the Communication Card and place it 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: Our hearts are ready, O Lord, our hearts are ready!

All: We will sing and make melody! We will awaken the

dawn!

Leader: We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples; we

will sing praises to you among the nations.

All: For your steadfast love is great above the heavens, and

your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

\*Song Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee UMH 89

## \*Passing the Peace

Please greet your fellow church members with the words, "Peace be with you". Feel free to move through the sanctuary to greet your church family.

## Children's Message

Song for the Children Go Now In Peace UMH 665

Children Dismissed for "Kids Rock in Fellowship Hall"

#### THE WORD

We remember God's will for our lives: (based on Ephesians 5)

Leader: When we come to worship, we remember that as forgiven

people we need constant reminders on how to live as God's children. Let us remember God's will for our Christian walk: For you once were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light. For the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness, and truth. And find

out what pleases the Lord.

All: Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness,

but rather expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret. But everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for it is

light that makes everything visible.

Leader: Be very careful, then how you live - not as unwise but as

wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Speak to one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Song of Response Let All Things Now Living TFWS 2008

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 96: 1 - 13 pg 740 - 41

Gospel Lesson 1 Peter 1: 3 - 9 pg 1474

Message "Inexpressible Joy"

## OUR RESPONSE

## Offering Invitation

So here's what I want you to do: Take your everyday, ordinary life - your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking around life - and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for God. (based on Romans 12)

Offertory Music Choir Anthem

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\*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

Gracious God, we thank you for gifts that belong not to us alone, but to all our sisters and brothers, since they too are created in your image. Let their need become our need; let their hunger become our hunger; and grant to us also a portion of their pain, so that in sharing ourselves, we discover the Christ who walks with our brothers and sisters. 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 in 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 To God Be The Glory UMH 98

Taking the Light to the World

Benediction

Pastor: As God's own, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness,

and patience, forgiving each other as the Lord has forgiven

you.

All: And crown all these things with love, which binds

everything together in perfect harmonv.

Postlude

Please Join us for Coffee and Conversation in Fellow ship Hall

\*Please stand as you feel comfortable



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