

Order of Worship – August 4, 2024

PRELUDE: Fred Crase

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pastor Seth and Chuck Kestle

WELCOMING THE CHRIST LIGHT: Acolytes

OPENING PRAYER *(standing) (all read together)*

God of unity and peace, bind us together as we come now to worship. Strengthen the ties that make us your family. Grant us the grace to recognize our gifts and our place in this body. Guide us to hear your calling as you speak to our lives. Encourage us to bravely burst forth as pastors and teachers, prophets and healers, evangelists and leaders. Dwell in our very hearts, that we may serve in humility—braided with strength and gentleness, intertwined with passion. Build us up in love, that we may grow in our knowledge and our love of you. Speak your truth to our lives, that we may lead lives worthy of your calling. Amen.

OPENING HYMN: *(standing)* #558 UM Hymnal “We Are the Church”

LAMBS OF GOD MOMENT

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST: *(standing)* *(Turn in orange cards and Pew Pads)*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER: Chuck Kestle

LORD’S PRAYER: #895 UM Hymnal

HYMN: *(standing)* #2226 The Faith We Sing “Bind Us Together”

MESSAGE: ON THE ROAD AGAIN Acts 20:25-38
“Faces of Texas” Natalie Deringer

GIVING BACK TO GOD: Seth L. Leypoldt

DOXOLOGY: *(standing)* #94 UM Hymnal “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

HOLY COMMUNION: Hymn #17

HYMN OF BENEDICTION: *(standing)* #557 UM Hymnal “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

BENEDICTION *(standing) (all read together)*

I am ready to lead a life worthy of Christ’s call. We join together as one, we are strengthened to share our gifts with the world. I will make every effort to maintain this unity. We are knitted together by Christ, we are ready to serve!

POSTLUDE: Fred Crase