

Order of Celebration

October 14, 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: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

All: I declare that your steadfast love is established forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.
Praise the Lord!

*Song How Great Thou Art UMH 77

*Passing the Peace

Please greet your fellow church members with the words "Peace be with you".

Children's Message

Song for the Children "Go Now in Peace" UMH 665
Children dismissed to Fellowship Hall for "Kids Rock"

God's will for living: *We hear how God instructs us to live each day*

Ephesians 5: 15 - 20

Be careful then how you live -- not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. Do not get drunk on wine which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit. 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.

Colossians 3: 12 - 15

As the chosen of God, then, the holy people whom he loves, you are to be clothed in heartfelt compassion, in generosity and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other if of one of you has a complaint against another. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, put on LOVE, the perfect bond. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together in one body. Always be thankful.

Song I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me TFWS 2153

THE WORD

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 128 pg 768

Epistle Lesson Romans 8: 26 - 39 pg 1377-78

Message LOVE GREATER: A Platform for Life

OUR RESPONSE

Offering Invitation

As God's dear children, then, take him as your pattern and follow Christ by loving as he loved you, giving himself up for us as an offering and a sweet-smelling sacrifice to God.

Offertory Music

Choir Anthem

*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

Generous God, you have given us life, a place to live, and people to live with. Open our eyes to each other. We dedicate these gifts to you and to the service of others. 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 Help Us Accept Each Other UMH 560

Taking the Light to the World

Benediction

Pastor: Go in peace as the reaffirmed church of Jesus Christ.
All: We go to be his body in a broken world. May the grace of God and the love of Christ go with us all. Amen.

Postlude

Please Join us for Coffee and Conversation in Fellowship Hall

**Please stand as you feel comfortable*



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