

Order of Celebration

November 11, 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: O God, our guide and guardian, You have led us apart from the busy world into the quiet of Your house. Grant us grace to worship you in spirit and in truth, to the comfort of our souls and the upbuilding of every good purpose and holy desire.

All: So may we worship You not only with our lips but in word and deed all the days of our lives.

*Song God of Grace and God of Glory UMH 577

*Passing the Peace

Please greet one another with the words "Peace be with you".

Children's Message

Song for the Children: "Go Now in Peace" UMH 665
Children ages 3-5th grade are dismissed to Fellowship Hall for "Kids Rock"

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation.

All: We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and turn them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God the Creator brings us new life, forgives us and redeems us. Take hold of this forgiveness and live your life in the Spirit of Jesus. Amen.

Song Spirit Song UMH 347

THE WORD

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 90: 1 - 12 pg. 736-37

Gospel Lesson Matthew 25: 14 - 30 pg. 1206-07

Message Reaching Our Full Potential

OUR RESPONSE

Offering Invitation

No one gives oneself freely and willingly to God's service unless, having tasted the Father's love, that person is drawn in love and worships God in return. Let us rejoice in what we have been given and in what is ours to give.

Offertory Music No Greater Love 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

O God, receive our offering. 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. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

WE ARE SENT FORTH:

* Song Take My Life and Let it Be UMH 399

Taking the Light to the World

Benediction

Pastor: Grant us, Lord God, the vision of your kingdom,
 forgiveness and new life, and the stirring of Your Spirit...

**All: ... so that we may proclaim Your love and change this
 world in the name of Christ. Amen.**

Postlude

Please Join us for Coffee and Conversation in Fellowship Hall

*Please stand as you feel comfortable



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