

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE 3rd SUNDAY IN LENT

~COMMUNION SUNDAY~

10 a.m.

March 3, 2024

** indicates "stand if you are able." UMH is the blue hymnal. TFWS is the small black book.*

PRELUDE *Near the Cross*
arr. by Molly Ijames

INTROIT *Behold the Lamb* CUMC Adult Choir
By Getty & Townend Previously Recorded

WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD

GREETINGS

One: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: The risen Christ is with us.

All: Praise the Lord!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you

All: And also with you

One: Let us share God's love and peace with one another.

*PRAISE SONG *I Will Call upon the Lord* TFWS #2002

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Listen to the stars.

All: They tell God's glory!

One: They have no words.

All: Yet in their beauty, God speaks.

One: Listen to creation.

All: It sings God's song of peace.

OPENING PRAYER

Creator God, you call us from our busy lives to find knowledge and rest in this holy place. Center our spirits in your love. Open our hearts to your transforming word, for we are ready to realign our spirits, remember your words, and walk in your paths. Guide us in wisdom and truth as we seek to follow your word. Amen.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES "Children's Message" Virginia Lorenzi

MARCH BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE READINGS: THE OLD TESTAMENT Exodus 20:1-17
THE NEW TESTAMENT 1 Corinthians 1:18-25
THE GOSPEL John 2:13-22

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "The Cleansing of The Temple" Rev. Sue H. Yun

THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION Insert

INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

We have heard God's word in the voices of creation and the precepts of scripture. God's word enlightens and revives us, filling us with joy. With grateful hearts, let us bring our gifts before God this day.

WEEKLY OFFERING & NOISY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Arise, My Soul, Arise* CUMC Adult Choir
by Dan Forest

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #95

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Holy One, you shape our lives with great beauty, showing us paths that leads to righteousness and blessing. We bring these gifts with grateful hearts, that you may use them to build your community of justice and righteousness. We offer you our very lives, knowing that you will lead us in the path of holy service. Amen.

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYER FOR PEACE

God of peace and justice, you have taught us to love our neighbors as ourselves, to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us. Today we raise Israel and Gaza, Ukraine and Russia, and all parts of the world where people are suffering from war. Provide protection and comfort to the innocent who have been impacted. Transform the hearts and minds of all those who perpetuate violence and oppression. Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward world peace; may they not be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference. Stop the wars o, God. Amen.

*HYMN *Change My Heart, O God* TFWS #2152

***BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH**

One: Blessed by God's wisdom,

All: we go forth refreshed and renewed.

One: Called by Christ,

All: we go now to serve.

One: Amazed by God's love,

All: we go now to love.

POSTLUDE

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

arr. by Molly Ijames

OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED

NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS

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