

Gathering & Welcoming God's Presence

Prelude

GREETINGS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Adult Bible Studies -- Sundays @ @9:30am
2. There will be a special Church Charge Conference today at 12 noon in the Fireside Room to elect a new Trustee member. Elder Pastor Linda Ford will preside as assigned by D. S. Mary Maaga.
3. The office will be closed on Thursday, May 8th.
4. Emerson Uyematsu's graveside service will be on Saturday, May 17th, at 11:00 a.m. at Winton cemetery. A catered lunch will follow at Pioneer Hall.

Lords Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, they will be done on 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts

People: We lift them to the Lord

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

***Hymn: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" UMH#327**

Story Time

SCRIPTURE: Proverbs 30:7-9

HYMN: "Take My Life and Let it Be Consecrated" UMH #399

Message "Balancing Act" Linda Ford

LUMC's Vision Statement:

"Show God's love by accepting, supporting, and serving all people."

The Joyful Art of Giving

Song Dedication #95

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

It is a blessing to be able to give, O God, and we thank you for our ability. Help us in all our dealings, with other persons as well as with you, to become more and more loving, kind, and open of heart, in order that we may be more like you and honor you by our behavior. We pray in the name of Jesus, who showed us the power of love in this world. Amen.

The Lord's Supper

L: Holy God, it is right that we should always and everywhere give you thanks and praise. Only you are God. You created all things and called them good. You made us in your own image. Even though we rebelled against your love, you did not desert us. You delivered us from captivity made covenant to be our sovereign God. And spoke to us through your prophets. Therefore we join the entire company of heaven and all your people now on earth in worshipping and glorifying you:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might; heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

L: O God, one more let the bread be broken before us, Lord; again let the cup be poured out; and grant that, remembering the master's death for our sake, we may comprehend your will for humankind. Create in us the

heart to see correctly what things are great and what things small, what ends deserve our sacrifice and what other goals do not. Save us from giving ourselves to anything but the best. Grant that we may have grace to live life in abundance, accomplishing all that to which you have called us. Help us in our days of labor and in our days of resting and waiting. In the meeting of our daily problems, remind us often that the word made flesh still dwells among us and that the day is unknown when you are not the Lord. Amen.

**The Sharing of the Bread and Cup
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (unison)**

God Almighty, we thank you for this feast of love. Give us courage to serve you in sorrow and joy, in easy times and difficult. We are grateful that Jesus restores new life. Grant us peace. Amen.

Hymn: "The Summons" FSW #2130

***BENEDICTION:**

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 30:7-9

Two things I ask of you; do not deny them to me before I die; remove from me falsehood and lying; give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with the food that I need, or I shall be full, and deny you, and say, "Who is the LORD?" or I shall be poor, and steal, and profane the name of my God.

Reader: This is the Word of God

Congregation: Thanks be to God_

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May 4 , 2025

3rd Sunday of

Easter

Adult Bible Study 9:30 am
Sunday Worship 10:30 am
Office Hours M – F 8am-10am