

## Gathering & Welcoming God's Presence

Prelude

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GREETINGS

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. *Covenant Meeting @10am Wednesdays @ Pastor's Office*
2. *Adult Bible Studies -- Sundays @9:30am*

**OPENING PRAYER:** Holy God, joy of the universe, it is your awesome love that brings us here. You awaken within us a loving response, which hungers and thirsts for your truth and beauty. As we worship you, please do not give us the blessings we want but the ones we most need. Satisfy us with the truth that we may need, though such truth be most uncomfortable, and confront us with your holy beauty, that brings us healing. Through Jesus Christ your joyful Son. *Amen.*

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Children of God, you are welcome here. All of who you are—even your regrets and failings—is welcome here.

**People: We come to tell the truth about who we are in relationship with God.**

Leader: Many of us find it easy to recognize our goodness and difficult to notice our sins.

**People: We come to tell the truth about who we are in relationship with God.**

Leader: Others of us live under a shroud of guilt and shame, believing we can never be good enough to receive the fullness of God's love.

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Leader: However you enter this place, know this: you are loved, accepted, and called. May God's love draw us to honest confession.; God's acceptance assures us of the work of grace in

## LUMC's Vision Statement:

**"Show God's love by accepting, supporting, and serving all people." Matthew 25:35,36,40**

our lives, and God's call compels us to live in grace.

**People; We come to tell the truth about who we are in relationship with God who loves us, accepts us, and calls us. Amen**

**Hymns;** I Need The Every Hour v 1-5 UMH#397

**TIME TO SHARE OUR JOY AND CONCERN**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**Pastor Kalo**

**The Lord's Prayer (in unison)**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy 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 and ever. Amen.**

**OFFERING**

**DOXOLOGY**

**UMH#95**

**OFFERTORY PRAY**

**\*HYMN It's Me, It's Me, O Lord v1-3 UMH#352**

**SCRIPTURE**

**John 6:1-21**

**Message:** "The Feeding of the Five Thousand"

**\*HYMN Shalom to You 2x**

**UMH#666**

**\*BENEDICTION: Beloved, receive this good news: Nothing can separate you from the love of God. May you go now in the blessing of God who forgives our sins and empowers us to turn once again to be and become who God calls us to be. Amen.**

**\*POSTLUDE**

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## **SCRIPTURE READING**      **John 6:1-21**

Sometime after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), <sup>2</sup> and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the signs he had performed by healing the sick. <sup>3</sup> Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples. <sup>4</sup> The Jewish Passover Festival was near.

<sup>5</sup> When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" <sup>6</sup> He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do. <sup>7</sup> Philip answered him, "It would take more than half a year's wages<sup>6a</sup> to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!" <sup>8</sup> Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, <sup>9</sup> "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?"

<sup>10</sup> Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and they sat down (about five thousand men were there). <sup>11</sup> Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish. <sup>12</sup> When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." <sup>13</sup> So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten. <sup>14</sup> After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world." <sup>15</sup> Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

<sup>16</sup> When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, <sup>17</sup> where they got into a boat and set off across the lake for Capernaum. By now it was dark, and Jesus had not yet joined them. <sup>18</sup> A strong wind was blowing and the waters grew rough. <sup>19</sup> When they had rowed about three or four miles,<sup>19a</sup> they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were frightened. <sup>20</sup> But he said to them, "It is I; don't be afraid." <sup>21</sup> Then they were willing to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the shore where they were heading.

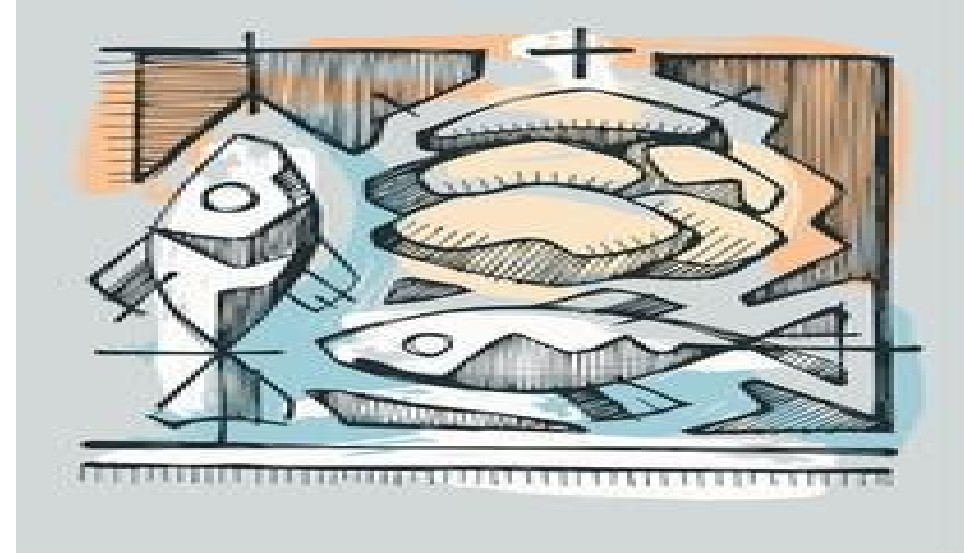
**Reader:** This is the Word of God    **Congregation:** Thanks be to God

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Sunday Worship 10:30 am

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