January 14, 2024, Celebration Service (8:50 AM)

Prelude

Gathering Music: Sunshine Gospel Singers: Those Good Old Gospel Songs

Welcome

†Congregational Hymns

He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought I Am Thine, O Lord Here I Am, Lord

Joys

Thanksgiving Prayer

Offertory: Celebration Choir: Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Doxology 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.

Call to Prayer

Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this Place

Prayers of the People Pastoral Prayer Lord's Prayer

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. Amen.

Prayer Response: The First Song of Isaiah

†Prayer of Illumination

Holy One, help us be a holy people who receive your word with joy and live your message with love. Amen.

Scripture

John 1:43-51

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

Sermon: You Haven't Seen Nothing Yet

Invitation to Christ and the Church

Invitational Hymn *Be Thou My Vision*

Receiving of New Members

(Congregational Response-Onscreen)

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you at Christ United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Benediction (The Light of Christ Taken into the World)

Benediction Response Here I Am, Lord

Postlude