April 23, 2023 Celebration Service

Prelude

Gathering Music: Sunshine Gospel Singers: The Longer I Serve Him

Welcome

†Congregational Hymns

Just a Closer Walk with Thee (Faith We Serve Hymnal #2158 Vs. 1 & 2) *Open My Eyes, That I May See* (United Methodist Hymnal #454 Verses 1, 2 & 3) *Spirit Song* (United Methodist Hymnal #347 Verses 1 & 2)

Thanksgiving †Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* (UM Hymnal #95)

Celebration Choir

Call to Prayer *Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus* (United Methodist Hymnal #349)

Prayer over Names Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response Open Our Eyes (Faith We Serve Hymnal #2086 Vs. 1 & 2)

[†]Prayer of Illumination Creator of all we know and all we don't know, as we listen for your Word today, we ask you to help us trust you more. May our lives reflect that trust to others. Amen.

Scripture Luke 24:13-35

Sermon

Invitation to Christ and Church Membership

†Hymn of Response
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms (United Methodist Hymnal #133 Verses 1, 2 & 3)

Receiving of New Members

†Benediction (Light Taken into the World)
†Benediction Response
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms (United Methodist Hymnal #133 Chorus)

Postlude