

Greeting

Prelude

I Love to Tell the Story

Jubilee Bells & Stephanie Shorden

Director, Woody Woods

*Call to Worship

CLM Twinkle Gordon

Leader: The way we worship is steeped in tradition

People: The uttered words lift our spirits and nourishes our souls

Leader: Only open hearts and open minds embrace needed change

People: A welcoming place for all God's children to be accepted and loved

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.

People: We shall rejoice and be glad in it!

*Gathering Song

Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart

v. 1-4 UMH #500

WORDS: George Croly, 1867 (Gal. 5:25)

1. Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth; through all its pulses move; stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art, and make me love thee as I ought to love.

2. I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies, no sudden rending of the veil of clay, no angel visitant, no opening skies; but take the dimness of my soul away.

3. Hast thou not bid me love thee, God and King? All, all thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind. I see thy cross; there teach my heart to cling. O let me seek thee, and O let me find!

4. Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh; teach me the struggles of the soul to bear. To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh, teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

Blessing of the Pets

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Scripture Reading

Luke 17:11-19

Linda Griffin

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Mystery Box

Georg Gehrung

PRAYER

Invitation to Prayer

Prayer Song

I Need Thee Every Hour

v. 1 UMH #397

WORDS: Annie S. Hawks, 1872 (Jn. 15:5)

1. I need Thee every hour, most gracious Lord; no tender voice like thine can peace afford.

Refrain

I need Thee, O I need Thee; every hour I need Thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Lori Thom

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 to trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power and the Glory forever.

Prayer Response

I Need Thee Every Hour

v. 5 UMH #397

WORDS: Annie S. Hawks, 1872 (Jn. 15:5)

5. I need Thee every hour, most Holy One; O make me Thine indeed, thou blessed Son.

Refrain

I need Thee, O I need Thee; every hour I need Thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

GIVING BACK

Invitation to Offering

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Offertory

Spirit of God

Sanctuary Choir

Prayer of Thanks & Dedication

Lu Petersen

***Doxology**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

MESSAGE

Scripture Reading

Acts 19:1-7

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While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what, then, were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied, altogether there were about twelve of them.

Anthem

We Will Glorify by Twila Paris

Sanctuary Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Leader: May the words of my mouth,

People: and the meditations of all of our hearts

All: be acceptable in your sight, O Lord our rock and our redeemer.

Psalm 19:14

Message

The Church of ACTS

Dominick Nors

SENDING FORTH

***Affirmation of Faith**

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Leader:

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:

All: We believe in God as creator and parent, infinite in wisdom, power, and love, whose mercy is over all creation, and whose will is directed toward the good of all people.

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Creator's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence of God in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.

We believe that our faith is lived out in the service of love and that we are co-creators of God's world.

We are the People of God.

We are St. Paul's United Methodist Church,

Celebrating the Love of God,

following the teachings of Christ,

Building a better world,

and living in the Power of the Spirit.

Amen.

***Sending Hymn**

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

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WORDS: Doris Akers, 1962

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There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; there are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Refrain

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

Announcements

Blood Pressure Clinic

Pumpkin Carving/Community Dinner,

Trunk or Treat

Benediction

Dominick Nors

Postlude

Stephanie Shorden