

February 26, 2023

PRELUDE Stephanie Shorden

GREETING Rev. David Petty

\*THRESHOLD SONG "I Believe"

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** June Cornish

Leader: Unexpected Love, enter our lives and open us to the gifts residing deep within the Holy Darkness of our lives.

**People: Walk with us, speak to us, call to us.**

Leader: Let us begin our Lenten journey with open hearts and open minds.

**People: Walk with us, speak to us, call to us.**

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

**People: We shall rejoice and be glad in it!**

**\*HYMN**

*Take My Life*

UMH #399

WORDS: Frances R. Havergal, 1873 (Rom. 12:1)

*1. Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise. Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of Thy love. Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee.*

*2. Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King. Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from Thee. Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect, and use every power as Thou shalt choose.*

*3. Take my will, and make it Thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is Thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne. Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure-store. Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.*

MYSTERY BOX

**HYMN**

*Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days*

v. 1 UMH #269

WORDS: Claudia F. Hernaman, 1873 (Mt. 4:1-11; Mk. 1:12-13; Lk. 4:1-13)

*1. Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray, teach us with thee to mourn our sins and close by thee to stay.*

PASTORAL, SILENT, AND LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Donnie Sturgill

*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.*

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 13:11-12

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When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see only a reflection, as in a mirror, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known.

ANTHEM                      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 Gift of Uncertainty*                      Rev. David Petty

INVITATION TO OFFERING                      June Cornish

OFFERTORY                      *Pie Jesu* by Mary Lynn Lightfoot                      Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER OF THANKS & DEDICATION                      Rev. David Petty

**\*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!***

**\*HYMN**

***A Wilderness Wandering People***

***Jim Strathdee***

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***1. We are a wilderness wandering people on a journey of the soul. May we find our destination in our longing to be whole. Our Holy God is calling to us. With Jesus by our side may compassion be our compass; may the Spirit be our guide.***

***2. May we cherish all our children, let us heal our family's pain. Help us cure our city's madness, let love and justice reign. Reconciled with one another in prayer and praise and song, we're the body of Christ together and we know that we belong, we belong, we belong, we belong.***

\*BENEDICTION                      Rev. David Petty

POSTLUDE                      Stephanie Shorden