GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

Sunday, November 26, 2023

Prelude

Choral Introit

Welcome

Melinda Sciera

Announcements

Praise Songs

Call to Worship

Karen Rowley

Leader: Do not fear because God is with us.

People: Do not be afraid because God is our God;

Leader: God strengthens us; God helps us.

People: God upholds us with His victorious right hand.

Leader: Let us worship our wonderful God. **People: We worship our God Almighty.**

Hymn: How Firm a Foundation

UMH #529 (vv. 1-4)

Prayer

Karen Rowley

Dear God, I come to you for the renewal of my life. Sometimes I feel stuck and hopeless in my life. But I'm afraid to try anything because I don't want to fail. I pray against the spirit of stagnation in my life. Help me to rise above setbacks, disappointments, and failures. Remove any fears from my mind and my heart. And fill me with hope. Give me courage so that I can go with no fear of failure. We pray in the name of Jesus, who walks along with us all the time. Amen.

Children's Moment

Melinda Sciera

Anthem:

The Word of God for the People of God

Scripture

Karen Rowley

Matthew 26:69-75

⁶⁹ Meanwhile, Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant woman came and said to him, "You were also with Jesus the Galilean."

⁷⁰ But he denied it in front of all of them, saying, "I don't know what you are talking about."

⁷¹ When he went over to the gate, another woman saw him and said to those who were there, "This man was with Jesus, the man from Nazareth."

⁷² With a solemn pledge, he denied it again, saying, "I don't know the man."

⁷³ A short time later those standing there came and said to Peter, "You must be one of them. The way you talk gives you away."

⁷⁴ Then he cursed and swore, "I don't know the man!" At that very moment the rooster crowed. ⁷⁵ Peter remembered Jesus' words, "Before the rooster crows you will deny me three times." And Peter went out and cried uncontrollably.

Message: What Does the Bible Say about Failure?

Pastor Sung Ho Lee

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Karen Rowley

The People Bring Their Gifts

Pastor Sung Ho Lee

The baskets will be passed or you may use the UMCL app

The People Offer Praise

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

The People Go into The World

Hymn: "Standing on the Promises" UMH #374

Benediction

Postlude