GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Prelude

Choral Introit

Welcome Melinda Sciera

Announcements

Praise Songs

Call to Worship Connie Orme

Leader: We are blind to many things. **People: Lord, cure our blindness.**

Leader: The light of God shines for us today.

People: Lord, pour that light on us.

Leader: Come, worship God who forgives and heals your blindness.

People: Open our eyes, O Lord, that we might see opportunities to serve

You. AMEN.

Hymn: "Maker, in Whom We Live" UMH #88 (vv. 1,2,3)

Prayer Connie Orme

Healing God, we have languished in our blindness. We have chosen to hide in darkness in order to avoid reaching out and risking acceptance. Forgive our lack of faith and our fearfulness, O Lord. Give us courage to reach out to the light and accept its healing rays. May our lives be transformed by Your mercy, for we pray this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

Children's Moment Melinda Sciera

Anthem:

Scripture Reading - John 9:1-12 Connie Orme

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man who was blind from birth. 2 Jesus' disciples asked, "Rabbi, who sinned so that he was born blind, this man or his parents?"

³ Jesus answered, "Neither he nor his parents. This happened so that God's mighty works might be displayed in him. ⁴ While it's daytime, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming when no one can work. ⁵ While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." ⁶ After he said this, he spit on the ground, made mud with the saliva, and smeared the mud on the man's eyes. ⁷ Jesus said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (this word means *sent*). So the man went away and washed. When he returned, he could see.

⁸ The man's neighbors and those who used to see him when he was a beggar said, "Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?"

⁹ Some said, "It is," and others said, "No, it's someone who looks like him." But the man said, "Yes, it's me!"

¹⁰ So they asked him, "How are you now able to see?"

¹¹ He answered, "The man they call Jesus made mud, smeared it on my eyes, and said, 'Go to the pool of Siloam and wash.' So I went and washed, and then I could see." ¹² They asked, "Where is this man?" He replied, "I don't know."

Message: Look for What God Can Do Pastor Sung Ho Lee

Sharing Joys and Concerns Pastor Sung Ho Lee

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

Communion

The People Come to the Table Blessing of the Sacraments

"Come, Share the Lord" TFWS #2269 (vv.1,2,3)

Sharing the Meal

The People Go into The World

Hymn: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" UMH #140

Benediction

Postlude