

# GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

Sunday, January 14, 2024

Prelude

Choral Introit

Welcome Darcy Young  
Announcements

Praise Songs

Call to Worship Bill Carney  
Leader: Do you see what this means—all these pioneers who blazed the way, all these veterans cheering us on?  
**People: It means we'd better get on with it. Strip down, start running—and never quit! No extra spiritual fat, no parasitic sins.**

Leader: Keep your eyes on *Jesus*, who both began and finished this race we're in. Study how He did it.

**People: That will shoot adrenaline into our souls!**  
- Hebrews 12:1-3, The Message

Hymn: "Victory in Jesus" UMH #370

Prayer Bill Carney  
**Lord, we are in the race of life. Help us to fight the good fight to the end, finish the race, and win the trophy and the crown that You will present to us. Be our constant companion and coach in the race of life, giving us strength, inspiring and encouraging us, and keeping us on the right track until we win the final victory. We pray in the name of Jesus, who lived and died and was resurrected for our salvation. Amen.**

Children's Moment

Melinda Sciera

Anthem:

Scripture Reading - Philippians 3:12-16 Bill Carney  
<sup>12</sup>It's not that I have already reached this goal or have already been perfected, but I pursue it, so that I may grab hold of it because Christ grabbed hold of me for just this purpose. <sup>13</sup>Brothers and sisters, I myself don't think I've reached it, but I do this one thing: I forget about the things behind me and reach out for the things ahead of me. <sup>14</sup>The goal I pursue is the prize of God's upward call in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup>So all of us who are spiritually mature should think this way, and if anyone thinks differently, God will reveal it to him or her. <sup>16</sup>Only let's live in a way that is consistent with whatever level we have reached.

Message: Faith Journey and Football Pastor Sung Ho Lee

Sharing Joys and Concerns Darcy Young

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: "When We All Get to Heaven" UMH #701

Benediction

Postlude