

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Melinda Sciera

*Call to Worship

Karen Rowley

Leader: When life is difficult, where do we turn?

People: We turn to God and hold on to God.

Leader: When answers do not come quickly, what do we do?

People: We keep praying, trusting, and persevering.

Leader: Come, let us worship with active faith.

All: We will trust God, hold on, and never give up.

*Praise Songs

Praise Band

Prayer

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Gracious God, when we are afraid and feel alone, remind us that You are with us. Give us faith to believe that You can do what we cannot do. Give us courage to do what we can do. And give us perseverance to keep praying, trusting, and holding on to You. Meet us in our struggles, bless us with Your presence, and lead us into the light of a new day. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Special Music: Meditation on Bach's First Prelude

Lucille LeFeber(Organ)
Jung Lee(Piano)

Children's Moment

Susan Carney

Welcome New Members: Carole Hayes, Cindy Curtis, and John Curtis

*Hymn: "It Is Well with My Soul"

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Scripture: Genesis 32:22-32

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²² Jacob got up during the night, took his two wives, his two women servants, and his eleven sons, and crossed the Jabbok River's shallow water. ²³ He took them and everything that belonged to him, and he helped them cross the river. ²⁴ But Jacob stayed apart by himself, and a man wrestled with him until dawn broke. ²⁵ When the man saw that he

couldn't defeat Jacob, he grabbed Jacob's thigh and tore a muscle in Jacob's thigh as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ The man said, "Let me go because the dawn is breaking."

But Jacob said, "I won't let you go until you bless me."

²⁷ He said to Jacob, "What's your name?" and he said, "Jacob." ²⁸ Then he said, "Your name won't be Jacob any longer, but Israel, because you struggled with God and with men and won."

²⁹ Jacob also asked and said, "Tell me your name."

But he said, "Why do you ask for my name?" and he blessed Jacob there.

³⁰ Jacob named the place Peniel, "because I've seen God face-to-face, and my life has been saved." ³¹ The sun rose as Jacob passed Peniel, limping because of his thigh. ³² Therefore, Israelites don't eat the tendon attached to the thigh muscle to this day, because he grabbed Jacob's thigh muscle at the tendon.

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message: Wrestling with God at Night Alone

Pastor Sung Ho Lee

The People Bring Their Gifts

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

*"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

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Sharing Joys and Concerns

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The Lord's Prayer: 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 who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Praise Song

Praise Band

*Benediction

Postlude

*please stand if you are able