

Prelude

Choral Introit

Welcome

Paige Treadway

Praise Songs

The People Gather

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One: Loving God, we thank You for the ministry of this church.

Many: We remember the light this church has brought life and liveliness to us and to our community.

One: Gracious God, we give You thanks for all You have done among us.

Many: We thank You for the gift we have been to one another.

One: We recall the saints who have gone before yet whose care and influence are still so present.

Many: Gracious God, we give You thanks for all You have done among us.

Hymn #133 "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

The People Pray

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We thank You for Your provision that never runs out. Help us to respond to Your call out of scarcity and into abundance as well as Your assurance that we can depend on You, the God who provides. We thank You for the gifts You are nurturing among us now. We experience the Spirit at work among Your people, bringing forth gifts of compassion, justice, cooking, caring for children, really excellent hugs, and kind, encouraging words. Help us to learn to celebrate the gifts we have rather than despair of the gifts we think we ought to have. We humbly pray that You continue to journey with us as we imagine a new reality into being, because nothing is impossible with God. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Special Music

Susan Bell

Children's Moment

Pastor Sung Ho Lee

The Word of God for the People of God

Scripture – Genesis 25:19-34

¹⁹ These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son. Abraham became the father of Isaac. ²⁰ Isaac was 40 years old when he married Rebekah the daughter of Bethuel the Aramean and the sister of Laban the Aramean, from Paddan-aram. ²¹ Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, since she was unable to have children. The Lord was moved by his prayer, and his wife Rebekah became pregnant. ²² But the boys pushed against each other inside of her, and she said, "If this is what it's like, why did it happen to me?" So she went to ask the Lord. ²³ And the Lord said to her,

"Two nations are in your womb;
two different peoples will emerge from your body.

One people will be stronger than the other;
the older will serve the younger."

²⁴ When she reached the end of her pregnancy, she discovered that she had twins. ²⁵ The first came out red all over, clothed with hair, and she named him Esau. ²⁶ Immediately afterward, his brother came out gripping Esau's heel, and she named him Jacob. Isaac was 60 years old when they were born.

²⁷ When the young men grew up, Esau became an outdoorsman who knew how to hunt, and Jacob became a quiet man who stayed at home. ²⁸ Isaac loved Esau because he enjoyed eating game, but Rebekah loved Jacob. ²⁹ Once when Jacob was boiling stew, Esau came in from the field hungry ³⁰ and said to Jacob, "I'm starving! Let me devour some of this red stuff." That's why his name is Edom.

³¹ Jacob said, "Sell me your birthright today."

³² Esau said, "Since I'm going to die anyway, what good is my birthright to me?"

³³ Jacob said, "Give me your word today." And he did. He sold his birthright to Jacob. ³⁴ So Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew. He ate, drank, got up, and left, showing just how little he thought of his birthright.

Message: God's Inheritance and a Stew

Pastor Sung Ho Lee

Sharing Joys and Concerns

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The People Bring Their Gifts

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 #467 "Trust and Obey"

Benediction

Postlude