

Prelude

Choral Introit

Welcome/Announcements

Melinda Sciera

*Call to Worship

Colleen Hay

Leader: Come, let us praise the Lord, whose love never fails!

People: We give thanks to God for loving us with grace and mercy.

Leader: God's love reaches beyond our understanding and embraces all people.

People: We praise You, O God, for Your boundless love and faithfulness.

Leader: Let us worship the God who calls us to love as we have been loved.

All: With grateful hearts, we praise Your holy name and commit ourselves to sharing Your love with everyone.

*Praise Songs

Praise Band

Prayer

Colleen Hay

Loving God, thank You for Your boundless love and grace. Forgive us when we find it difficult to love those who hurt us or oppose us. Fill our hearts with Your love, help us overcome anger with kindness, and teach us to pray for our enemies. May our words and actions reflect Your love to everyone we meet. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Anthem:

Choir

Children's Moment

John Sciera

*Hymn: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

UMH 89

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:43-48

Colleen Hay

⁴³ "You have heard that it was said, *You must love your neighbor* and hate your enemy. ⁴⁴ But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who harass you ⁴⁵ so that you will be acting as children of your Father who is in heaven. He makes the sun rise on both the evil and the good and sends rain on both the righteous and the unrighteous. ⁴⁶ If you love only those who love you, what reward do you have? Don't even the tax collectors do the same? ⁴⁷ And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing? Don't even the Gentiles do the same? ⁴⁸ Therefore, just as your heavenly Father is complete in showing love to everyone, so also you must be complete.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Message: Love Your Enemies

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" UMH 95

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Colleen Hay

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