



*Glorify God, grow disciples, and meet the needs of our neighbors.*

## GATHERING

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRELUDE

*Nocturne in E minor Op. 72, No. 1*

F. Chopin

Katia Dinas

#### ◆ CALL TO WORSHIP

Courtland Lewis, Lay Liturgist

Leader: The Lord is king! Let the peoples tremble!

**People: Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness.**

Leader: Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain.

**People: We praise your great and awesome name, O God who reigns. Holy are you!**

#### ◆ OPENING HYMN

*From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

GTG 327

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

While we wait for God to astound us with whirlwinds of wonders, God silently offers us grace. God waits to forgive us, so let us hold nothing back, but place our trust in the One who listens to our prayers and answers with mercy.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**We confess that we are often afraid to come near you, Glorious Creator. You might see how our faces darken with anger as we speak hurtful words, or whiten with fear of those who are different, or redden from the depths of our desires. In the gazing in the mirrors of our longings, we are unable to see the faces etched with loneliness, hollowed by hunger, overshadowed by hopelessness. You reveal the mystery of your grace, Holy One, by pouring out mercy upon us. As you bend down to listen, may we speak your love to all those around us. As you call us into your presence, send us out to do your justice which brings hope to the world, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, our Savior, our Love, our Justice. Amen.**

#### SILENT CONFESSION

#### DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

On mountaintops and in valleys, in our hopes and in our hearts, God knows us better than we know ourselves, and God forgives us when we cannot forgive ourselves!

**By God's mercy, we are forgiven; by God's mercy, we are made whole; by God's mercy, we are equipped in the Spirit to serve others. Thanks be to God!**

#### ◆ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

GTG 582

GLORY TO GOD

***Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

***World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.***

***World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

# HEARING THE WORD

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### ANTHEM

*Credo (We Believe in One God)*

adapted from the Nicene Creed by Ragan Courtney  
Music by John Purifoy

Directed by Jeremy Rohwer  
Katia Dinas, pianist

We believe in one God, the Maker of ev'rything, the new earth, the bright sky, things seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus the Christ, the Son, God from God, Light from Light, the only begotten One.  
We believe that through Him all good things were made for us, a full life free from death, a Savior to trust.  
We believe He came from Heaven conceived by the Spirit of God, and traveled the lonely paths  
that we also have trod, becoming flesh and blood and tears and breath,  
and with His love conquering our fears, He even conquered death.  
Crucified, dead and buried, the third day rose from the dead,  
seated at the right of the Almighty, from there He will judge the quick and the dead.  
We believe in one God, the Maker of ev'rything, the new earth, the bright sky, things seen and unseen.  
We believe in one God. We believe in one God. Amen.

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST READING

Luke 9:28-36

#### SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

#### SERMON

"Mirror, Mirror"

Rev. Dr. Ken Ritchie

## RESPONDING

### ◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*The Westminster Confession, 6.075*

They who are effectually called and regenerated, having a new heart and a new spirit created in them, are further sanctified, really and personally, through the virtue of Christ's death and resurrection, by his Word and Spirit dwelling in them; the dominion of the whole body of sin is destroyed, and the several lusts thereof are more and more weakened and mortified, and they more and more quickened and strengthened, in all saving graces, to the practice of true holiness, without which no human being shall see the Lord.

### ◆ HYMN OF MEDITATION

*Lift Every Voice and Sing*

GTG 339

LIFT EVERY VOICE

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

### SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

### OFFERING

Offertory

*I Call to You, Lord Jesus Christ*

J. S. Bach

◆ Doxology

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

GTG 606

◆ Prayer of Dedication

**O Gracious God, we have stood on the high crests of hope, and wandered through the valleys of darkness. So, we know what peace, hope, grace, and wonder can mean to others. As we offer ourselves to you, we would also share these blessings with those we will meet in the days to come, in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

# SENDING

## ◆HYMN OF DEDICATION

*Lord, the Light of your Love Is Shining*

GTG 192

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

## ◆CHARGE & BENEDICTION

**We will glorify God, grow disciples, and meet the needs of our neighbors.**

## ◆CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*You Shall Go Out with Joy*

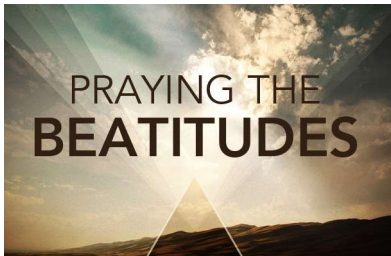
GTG 80

THE TREES OF THE FIELD

◆Stand as you are able

GTG-Glory to God Hymnal

**Live-streamed through Facebook** Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent. Acknowledging that we have all sinned and fallen short of God's glory, we repent and return to our loving creator. Acutely aware of our failure and frailty, we express our utter reliance on God's saving grace. Ashes are an ancient symbol of repentance, sorrow, and sacrifice. Like so many other areas of church life, COVID continues to alter how we will mark Ash Wednesday this year. The service will be live-streamed. Ashes are impractical in remote worship. Yet, we will still gather for worship to begin our Lenten journey. We will celebrate communion. So, we encourage you to prepare the elements for your use. The service will be shown live through the church's Facebook page. If you are unable to tune in live, the video will be available on both the Facebook page and YouTube channel.



Pastor Ken will begin a new midweek devotion, **Praying the Beatitudes**, Wednesday, March 9. Jesus began his Sermon on the Mount with these provocative and comforting statements of blessing. In many ways, the *Sermon on the Mount* is a disciple's training manual. What does it mean to be a follower of Jesus in these chaotic and anxious times? How might praying the beatitudes form and shape our faith and faithfulness? Each Wednesday a new video offering will be posted to the church's Facebook page and YouTube channel. If you like the Facebook page and/or follow the YouTube channel you will get notice when they have been uploaded. Join us and spread the word! Perhaps someone who is not part of our church might be interested!

We now have online giving available. Just scan the QR Code to the right with your smart phone or go to our website and click the "Give Now" button. [www.FaithUnited-pc.com](http://www.FaithUnited-pc.com) You will have the option to set up your giving profile. This will make it easy to login anytime you are ready to give, even designated giving for Building Repairs and the Garage Fund. **You can also select to donate the 2% fee so Faith United does not incur it.**



### The FUPC Staff is here for you!

Pastor Ken and Brenda Swindle are in their "Work from Home" offices and ready to assist. Ken and Brenda are checking the mail box daily to receive your notes or checks. They are also receiving your emails and calls with any questions or concerns.

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### PRAYER LIST

Dale Durcholz	Roger Jones	Mike Jones
Dennis Van Deventer	Kathie Heffler	David Duell
George & Mozelle Mills	Marxer family	

**Homebound or Recovering:** Freddie Simmons, Charley Rae Furrh (Terri Russell's cousin)

### Thanks to the musicians in worship today!

David Pierce, Director of Music

Katia Dinas, Pianist

#### Soprano

Marissa Guerrero  
Mary Marxer  
Barbara Ritchie  
Gerry Shotswell  
Katelyn Spivey

#### Alto

Patti Sloey  
Jessica Stottlemeyer  
Renee Wensley

#### Tenor

Kyle Feather  
Jeremy Rohwer

#### Bass

Kurt Booth  
Hawkins Burns  
Rich Lewis  
Zachary Rohwer

# OPENING HYMN

## 327 From All That Dwell Below the Skies

(Psalm 117)

*Unison*



1 From all that dwell be-low the skies let the Cre - a - tor's praise a -  
 2 In ev - ery land be - gin the song; to ev - ery land the strains be -  
 3 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord; e - ter - nal truth at - tends thy

*Harmony* *Unison*



rise: Let the Re - deem - er's  
 long: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! In cheer - ful sound all  
 word: Thy praise shall sound from



name be sung through ev - ery land, in ev - ery tongue.  
 voic - es raise and fill the world with joy - ful praise.  
 shore to shore, till suns shall rise and set no more.

*Harmony*



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Unison*



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

HYMN of MEDITATION

# 339 Lift Every Voice and Sing



1 Lift ev - ery voice and sing till earth and heav - en  
 2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - tening  
 3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent



ring, ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er -  
 rod, felt in the days when hope un - born had  
 tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the



ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - tening  
 died. Yet, with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry  
 way; thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the



skies; let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.  
 feet come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?  
 light, keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

# HYMN of MEDITATION – cont.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;  
Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;

sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought  
we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the slaugh -  
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get

us. Fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be -  
tered, out from the gloom - y past, till now we stand at  
thee; shad - owed be - neath thy hand may we for - ev - er

gun, let us march on, till vic - to - ry is won.  
last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.  
stand, true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

HYMN of DEDICATION

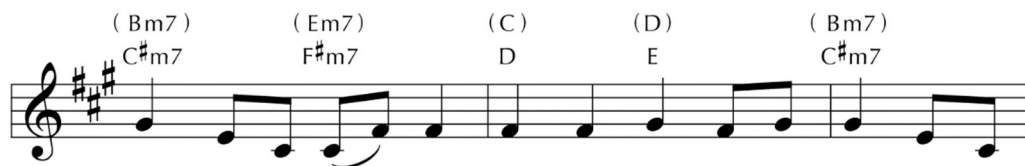
# 192 Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining Shine, Jesus, Shine



1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the  
2 Lord, I come to your awe - some pres - ence, from the  
3 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our



midst of the dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, Light of the  
shad - ows in - to your ra - diance; by the blood I may  
fac - es dis - play your like - ness; ev - er chang - ing from



World, shine up - on us; set us free by the truth you now  
en - ter your bright-ness. Search me; try me; con - sume all my  
glo - ry to glo - ry, mir - rored here may our lives tell your



bring us. Shine on me; shine on me.  
dark - ness. Shine on me; shine on me.  
sto - ry. Shine on me; shine on me.



Shine, Je - sus, shine; fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry.



## Hymn of Dedication – cont.

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am) (Am/G) (F) (D7sus) (D7)  
A E F#m D A Bm Bm/A G E7sus E7

Blaze, Spir - it, blaze; set our hearts on fire.

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am7) (C) (D7) (C) (D)  
A E F#m D A Bm7 D E7 D E

Flow, riv - er, flow; flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy.

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am) (D7) (G)  
A E F#m D A Bm E7 A

Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

### The Session

Rev. Dr. Ken Ritchie, Moderator of Session  
Rich Lewis, Treasurer

### Class of 2022

Kathleen Ferguson, W&M  
\*Debbie Menefee, CL  
\*Katie Miller, CE and Finance  
\*Tracy Tiemann, B&G

### Class of 2023

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\*Patti Sloey, Finance  
Brenda Burkhams, CL

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