

Order of Worship

January 24, 2016

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service

Dedication of Tithes and Offering

Offertory *Prelude in G Major -by JS Bach* Logan Walker

*Doxology UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

*Closing Hymn *Take Time to be Holy* UMH 395

*Responsive Benediction

Leader: The Lord bless you, protect you from all evil, and bring you to everlasting life .

People: Amen.

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Benediction Chorus

Holy, Holy, Holy! (vs. 4) UMH 64

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

*Postlude

**=We invite you to please stand, as you are able.*

- **May We Pray with You?** Prayer Partners are available after the service to encourage and pray with you. They will be waiting at the front pew.
- **Prayers for Comfort and Healing**
 - ◇ Lloyd Alberts & family (loss of his son, Jerry, on Jan. 18)
- **Altar Flowers** Given for the glory of God by Claudia Eller & family in loving memory of Richard Eller on their 47th anniversary.

WE COME TOGETHER AS THE FAMILY OF CHRIST

Welcome & Greeting Rev. Dr. Michael Burkett

*Opening Chorus Curt Timmons

Holy, Holy, Holy! (vs.1) UMH 64

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

*We Proclaim Our Mission Linda Blue

Leader: Who are we?

All: **People of God, learning to follow Jesus, inviting others to join the journey.**

*Opening Unison Prayer

Listen to the prayers of your Church, Lord God, in the presence of the angels we praise your name. Stretch out your hand to us in our struggles and sufferings, perfect in us the work of your love and help us to live life in your Kingdom. In Jesus' name we ask. Amen.

Special Music *Celebration No. 2* Handbell Choir

*Opening Hymn *God of Grace and God of Glory* UMH 577
(Congregation seated)

WE LISTEN FOR AND RECEIVE GOD'S WORD TO US

Scripture Reading Mark 5:2-17

And when he had stepped out of the boat, immediately a man out of the tombs with an unclean spirit met him. ³He lived among the tombs; and no one could restrain him any more, even with a chain; ⁴for he had often been restrained with shackles and chains, but the chains he wrenched apart, and the shackles he broke in pieces; and no one had the strength to subdue him. ⁵Night and day among the tombs and on

the mountains he was always howling and bruising himself with stones. ⁶When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and bowed down before him; ⁷and he shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me." ⁸For he had said to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" ⁹Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion; for we are many." ¹⁰He begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. ¹¹Now there on the hillside a great herd of swine was feeding; ¹²and the unclean spirits begged him, "Send us into the swine; let us enter them." ¹³So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the swine; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and were drowned in the sea.

¹⁴The swineherds ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came to see what it was that had happened. ¹⁵They came to Jesus and saw the demoniac sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, the very man who had had the legion; and they were afraid. ¹⁶Those who had seen what had happened to the demoniac and to the swine reported it. ¹⁷Then they began to beg Jesus to leave their neighborhood

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem

Our Faith in God Alone -McDonald

Chancel Choir

We may not see Him, this God who made us. The love and grace we know within are His; We are believers in Christ, our Savior, who gave His life a sacrifice for us.

Our faith in God will lead us forward, forward in the cause of Christ alone. Believing God will lead us forward, we will put our faith in God alone.

We are His children; God is our Father. May others see the light of Christ in us. He is the power; He is the glory. To Him be all the praise forevermore!

Every eye shall see Him; Every knee shall bow; Every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!

(The choir may disperse as needed)

Sermon Series Prayer

God, thank you for the gift of your Son and Mark's gospel witness to his life. Help us to hear that witness as Good News for our lives today. In Jesus' name we ask. Amen.

The Message

Casting Out Demons

Rev. Michael Burkett

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GOODNESS WITH JOY

*Hymn

Jesus Calls Us

UMH 398

*Affirmation of Faith

UMH 888

Leader: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

People: **Christ died for our sins,
was buried,
was raised on the third day,
and appeared first to the women,
then to Peter and the Twelve,
and then to many faithful witnesses.**

**We believe Jesus is the Christ,
the Anointed One of God,
the firstborn of all creation,
the firstborn from the dead,
in whom all things hold together,
in whom the fullness of God
was pleased to dwell
by the power of the Spirit.**

**Christ is the head of the body, the church,
and by the blood of the cross
reconciles all things to God. Amen.**

(Affirmation from 1 Corinthians 15:1-6 and Colossians 1:15-20)

*Gloria Patri

UMH 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.

Our Life Together

*Please register your attendance in the registration card provided
and place it in the offering plate.*

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dr. Charlotte Teel

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.