

# Order of Worship

May 14, 2017

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service

\*Closing Hymn      *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*      UMH 127

## \*Responsive Benediction

Pastor: The blessing of the one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you this day and forever.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

\*Benediction Chorus      UMH 126

*Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above (vs. 4)*

Let all who name Christ's holy name give God all praise and glory; let all who own his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story!. Cast each false idol from its throne, for Christ is Lord and Christ alone: To God all praise and Glory.

## \*Postlude

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

- REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:  
Martha Piper on the loss of her mother.  
Lisa Whitesell in Deaconess Hospital with 2 broken legs.
- MAY WE PRAY WITH YOU?  
Stephen Ministers are available to encourage and pray with you.  
Look for a person wearing a blue Stephen Minister name badge.

## WE COME TOGETHER AS THE FAMILY OF CHRIST

Welcome & Greeting

Rev. Michael Burkett

## \*Opening Chorus

Curt Timmons

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above (vs. 1)*      UMH 126

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation. With healing balm my soul is filled and every faithless murmur stilled: To God all praise and glory.

## \*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

Leader: For our mothers, who have given us life and love, that we may honor them and show them love,

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For mothers who have lost a child through death, that their faith may give them hope, and their family and friends support and console them.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For women, though without children of their own, who like mothers have nurtured and cared for us,

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For mothers, who have been unable to be a source of strength, who have not responded to their children and have not sustained their families,

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

ALL: Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women. Grant that we may honor them. We ask through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Special Music

*Shepherd's Peace*  
by Sandra Eithun

Handbells Choir

## \*Opening Hymn

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

UMH 6

(Congregation seated)

## WE LISTEN FOR AND RECEIVE GOD'S WORD TO US

### Scripture Reading

John 16: 5-14

But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts.

Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

### Anthem

Chancel Choir

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You*  
Peter Lutkin / arr. Larry Shackley

The Lord bless you and keep you,  
The Lord lift His countenance upon you,  
And give you peace, and give you peace,  
The Lord make His face to shine upon you,  
And be gracious unto you, be gracious,  
The Lord be gracious, gracious unto you.  
Amen

*(The choir may disperse as needed)*

### The Message

*"The Presence of Jesus Now"*

Rev. Michael Burkett

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GOODNESS WITH JOY

### \*Hymn

*Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee*

UMH 175

### \*Affirmation of Faith

*The Apostles' Creed*

UMH 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

### \*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

Rev. Dr. Charlotte Teel

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

### Pastoral Prayer/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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### Dedication of Tithes and Offering

### Offertory

*Prayer*

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