

Order of Worship

September 7, 2014

11:00 a.m. Generations Service

Communion Sunday

Breaking of the Bread & The Communion of the People

All are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper. If you choose, you may kneel in prayer after you receive. You do not have to be a member of this church or any church to take communion. Children are welcome.

You may also leave an offering on the altar for the Good Shepherd Fund to help meet human needs in our local community.

SENDING FORTH

*Closing Hymn *For the Beauty of the Earth* UMH 92

*Responsive Benediction

Leader: Go forth in peace. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: Amen.

*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.

Prayer Concerns David Morgan & family upon the loss of his mother, Rosemary Morgan

Altar Flowers Given for the glory of God by Larry & Evy Edwards, celebrating their 15th wedding anniversary.
The rose is in honor of:
☞ Reagan Faye Michel, born on August 28, 2014 to Michael & Rebecca Michel. Reagan is the granddaughter of Mark Bye and great granddaughter of Velma Ulmer.
☞ Zane Michael Lanman, born on August 18, 2014 to Natalie & Steven Lanman. Zane is the grandson of Karen Tinsley.

WE COME TOGETHER AS THE FAMILY OF CHRIST

Welcome & Greeting

Rev. 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

Allen Gray

Leader: Who are we?

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

*Opening Unison Prayer

Lord, true light and source of all light, listen to our prayer this morning. Turn our thoughts to what is holy and may we ever live in the light of your love. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Opening Hymn

Christ for the World We Sing

UMH 568

Baptism and Reception into Church Membership

Drama "Disconnect to Connect"

Dixie Huckabay & Sarabeth Hinds

Anthem

Chancel Choir

Let the Saints Get Up and Sing -arr. Joel Rainey

There's a better day comin' when the saints go marching in. Lord, I want to be in that number! In the great gettin' up mornin' fare thee well, fare thee well.

Oh, when the saints go marching in, oh, when the saints go marching in, Lord, I want to be in that number when the saints go marching in, fare thee well.

Oh, when the stars fall from the sky, oh, when the stars fall from the sky, Lord, I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in.

Oh, when the drums begin to bang, oh, when the drums being to bang,
O Lord, I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in.

I'm a gonna tell ya 'bout the coming of the judgment, fare thee well,
fare thee well. There's a better day comin' fare thee well, fare thee well. In
that great gettin' up morning, fare thee well, fare thee well.

When you see the lightning flashing, when you hear the thunder
rolling, when you see the stars a falling, when you hear the chariots
coming, when the saints go marching in, oh, when the saints go marching
in, O Lord, I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in.

When the stars begin to fall, when the trumpet sounds its call, oh,
when the fire begins to blaze, oh, when the fire begins to blaze, Lord, I
want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in.

(The choir may disperse as needed)

WE LISTEN FOR AND RECEIVE GOD'S WORD TO US

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 2:18-22

For through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father.
¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with
the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the
foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the
cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows
into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together
spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer

Father, you reached out to connect with us in your Son, Jesus. Inspire
our hearts by your Holy Spirit. Let the Spirit teach us your ways. Give us
your blessings to be sent out in your name as your sons and daughters to
a wounded world. Amen.

The Message

You Can Be Connected

Rev. Michael Burkett

Prayer of Consecration of the Lord's Supper

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GOODNESS WITH JOY

*Hymn

Break Thou the Bread of Life

UMH 599

A Time for Children

Rev. Dr. Charlotte Teel

Our Life Together

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

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Since Jesus Came into My Heart

Logan Walker

*Doxology

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.

UMH 95

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

Confession and Pardon

Merciful God,

we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will,

we have broken your law,

we have rebelled against your love,

we have not loved our neighbors,

and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(All pray in silence)

Leader: Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

All: **Glory to God. Amen.**

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.