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PRELUDE



Communion - Robert Hebble



Almighty God, unto whom all hearts and minds are open and from whom nothing is hidden, we gather to worship you and to learn how to better represent you in the world. Sanctify our hearts and help us during this service to keep our minds from wandering. In Jesus' mighty name, we pray. Amen.

-UNISON OPENING PRAYER








RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 34: 1-3

I will praise the LORD at all times. I will constantly speak his praises.

I will boast only in the LORD; let all who are helpless take heart.

Come, let us tell of the LORD's greatness; let us exalt his name together.
(the people may sit)





WELCOME



May Announcements

02 Morning Devotions

Tomorrow, May 2, 6:00 am – 6:15 am, - 15-minute devotions resume, via ZOOM.

19 Pastor's Brunch



Thursday, May 19, 2022, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, plan on attending the first monthly UPC pastor's luncheon.

05 Midweek Service

Thursday, May 5, 7:00 pm, join the UPC family midweek service via YouTube. The Scots Confession, chapter 19- the authority of Scripture.

21 Workshop

Saturday, May 21, 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm, Ms. Jessica Dawson will present a workshop for current and future leaders, via ZOOM. The workshop title is Gallup's Clifton Strengths Assessment.





RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed.

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

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

That Christ died for our sins and was buried, and rose again on the third day.

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed.

He appeared to Peter, and to the twelve, and to many faithful witnesses.




Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

At last he came to us, that we might come to believe and proclaim this good news to the world.

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed.

Come, let us worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness



Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed.





OPENING HYMN (GTG) # 826

Lift High the Cross



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RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 34: 4-14

I prayed to the LORD, and he answered me. He freed me from all my fears.

Those who look to him for help will be radiant with joy; no shadow of shame will darken their faces.

In my desperation, I prayed, and the LORD listened; he saved me from all my troubles.

For the angel of the LORD is a guard; he surrounds and defends all who fear him.

Taste and see that the LORD is good.

Oh, the joys of those who take refuge in him!

Fear the LORD, you his godly people, for those who fear him will have all they need.

Even strong young lions sometimes go hungry, but those who trust in the LORD will lack no good thing.

Come, my children, and listen to me, and I will teach you to fear the LORD.

Does anyone want to live a life that is long and prosperous?

Then keep your tongue from speaking evil and your lips from telling lies!

Turn away from evil and do good. Search for peace, and work to maintain it.



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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH AND RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 34: 17-22



The LORD hears his people when they call to him for help. He rescues them from all their troubles.

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted; he rescues those whose spirits are crushed.

The righteous person faces many troubles, but the LORD comes to the rescue each time.

For the LORD protects the bones of the righteous; not one of them is broken!

Calamity will surely destroy the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

But the LORD will redeem those who serve him. No one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.





Brothers and sisters, please join me in the morning prayer

CALL TO CONFESSION





Almighty God, through your only Son you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. Grant that we who celebrate our Lord's resurrection, through the renewing of your Spirit, arise from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Lord, gently remind us that as disciples of Christ, we are also ambassadors. Forgive us for the times when we do not properly represent you. Lord, help us do better. Bind every spirit that raises its arrogant selfish head to glorify itself instead of glorifying you. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION





Receive the good news, when we confess our sin and earnestly repent, we are saved in the mighty name and through the blood of Jesus.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON








PASSING
THE
PEACE



PRAYER FOR
ILLUMINATION





A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF John 21: 15-19



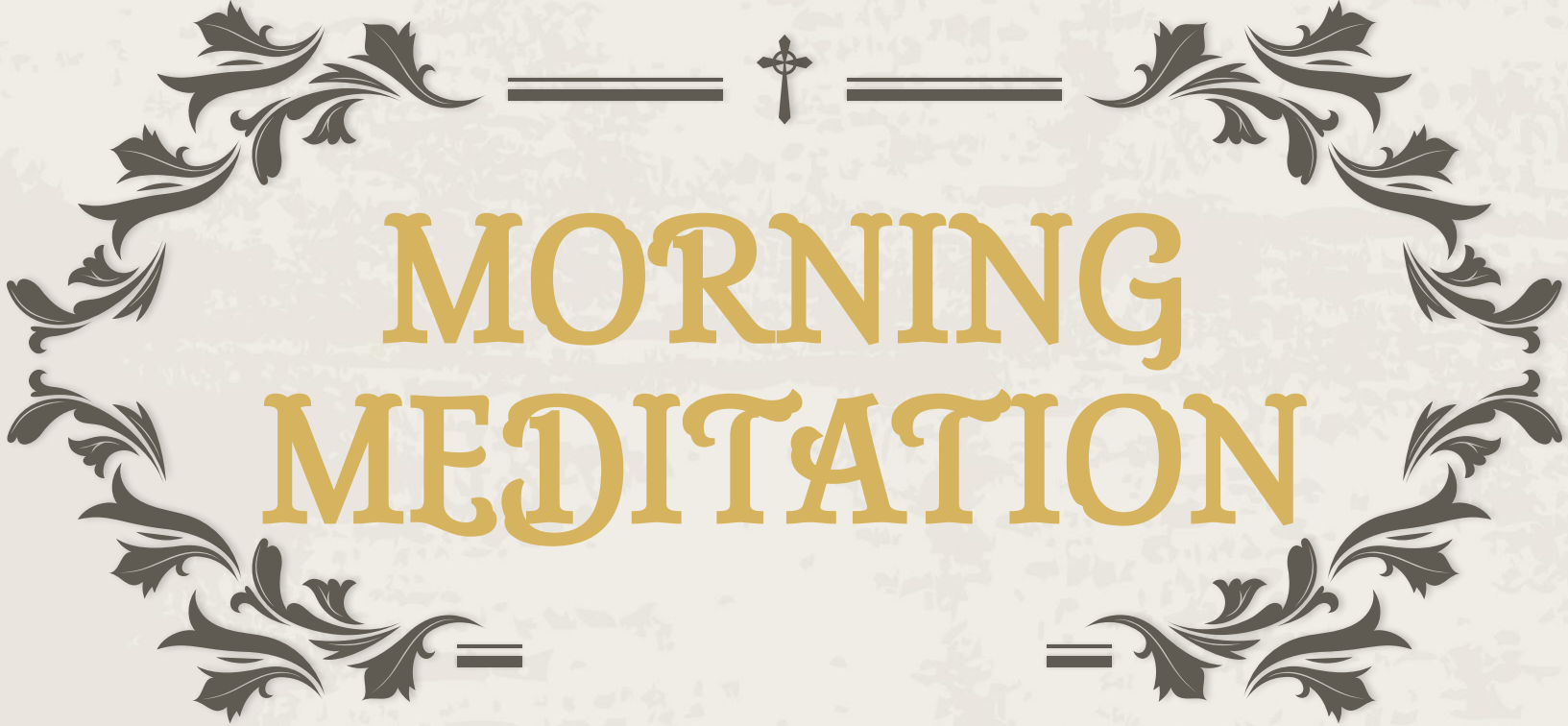
When they had finished eating, Jesus asked Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love Me more than these?” “Yes, Lord,” he answered, “You know I love You.” Jesus replied, “Feed My lambs.” Jesus asked a second time, “Simon son of John, do you love Me?” “Yes, Lord,” he answered, “You know I love You.” Jesus told him, “Shepherd My sheep.” Jesus asked a third time, “Simon son of John, do you love Me?”

Peter was deeply hurt that Jesus had asked him a third time, “Do you love Me?” “Lord, You know all things,” he replied. “You know I love You.” Jesus said to him, “Feed My sheep. Truly, truly, I tell you, when you were young, you dressed and walked where you wanted; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.” Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God.



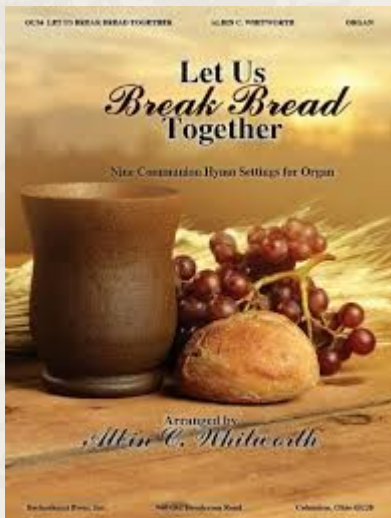


MORNING MEDITATION





CALL TO
DISCIPLESHIP



COMMUNION HYMN (GTG) # 525

Let us Break Bread Together






INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

All glory and honor are yours, O God, for you bring life from death, joy from suffering, and dancing from mourning. We give thanks that abundant life is made known to us and present within us in your son Jesus, who has come to live and die as one of us, to reconcile all creation to life, and life everlasting. By him and with him and in him, the web of your love is made whole, and we with it

Jesus gathered his disciples and said, “Remember me.” And so, we do. We remember that he gathered not only his friends but even his betrayer around a common table, sharing the gifts of wheat and vine, the first fruits from the earth. We remember that he offered himself to us, that we may follow him even beyond death into your eternal love.

Gather us now at your table, O God, that we may be sustained in our journey of faith. May these gifts of the earth be for us the gift of your goodness made present, made known. And grant that we who eat this feast may be filled with your life and goodness.



PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS



THE
BODY OF
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GOD, FOR THE
PEOPLE OF GOD

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OF CHRIST
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FOR YOU



PRAYERS OF
THE PEOPLE



Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. Lead us away from temptation and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER





CLOSING
HYMN
(GTG) # 839

Blessed Assurance



Now may the God of Peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, 21 equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

Amen. (Hebrews 13: 20-21)

BENEDICTION





CONGREGATIONAL
RESPONSE
(GTG) # 568

Amen

363 Rejoice, the Lord Is King!

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1746, alt.

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- 1 Re - joi - ce, the Lord is King! Your
- 2 Our Sav - ior, Je - sus, reigns, the
- 3 His king - dom can - not fail; he
- 4 Re - joi - ce in glo - rious hope! For

POSTLUDE

Rejoice the Lord is King