**WELCOME–ANNOUNCEMENTS** Mary Fulton

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**OPENING PRAYER**  Pastor Rod Brower

**PRELUDE** Jenny Claybaugh, Jane Wildermuth

**SONG LEADER** Diane Lewis

Please stand as able.Liturgist: Tracey Notestine

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)** Based on Galatians 5:16-18 ,22-23 &25

NIV modified

Leader: So I say, let us walk by the Spirit and we will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

***People: For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit desires what is contrary to the flesh.***

Leader: They are in conflict with each other, so that we are not to do whatever we want.

***People: But if we are led by the Spirit, we are not under the law.***

Leader: Seeds sown from the Spirit produce love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

***All: Since we live by the Spirit let us keep in step with the Spirit.***

**HYMNS** Holy Ground X2 #2272 FWSJesus Calls Us #398 UMH

**\*UNISON PRAYER – O God, we want to be made new in**

**Christ. At times we know the changes will be so radical they seem miraculous, while other times the changes will be so subtle, we’ll hardly be able to detect any change. We ask for your Holy Spirit to change our values, our motives, and the way we respond, so they will know you are working in our lives in an amazing way. Amen.** (itumc Bulletin 4-22)

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 4: 5-12

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** Diann Gault

**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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen**

**HYMN** I Surrender All #354 UMH

**WORSHIPING GOD WITH TITHES & OFFERINGS**

**\*DOXOLOGY –** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow #95

**\*PRAYER OF THANKFULNESS – Accept these gifts, O God, as testimonies of our love for you and our desire to serve you. Let these offerings be an affirmation that we are bound to one another as your people. In your generous name we pray. Amen**

**Prayer for Illumination (in unison)**

***Holy Creator, we understand we reap what we sow. Therefore, we are asking you to plow up and prepare the fleshy soil within us and plant the life-saving seeds of your Spirit. Saturate us with the Light of Your Word (which creates new life) that these seeds may germinate with deep roots which ultimately produce a Holy, Bountiful, and Fruit-filled harvest. Amen***

**Scripture Reading** Hosea 10:12

**Message:**  *The Irrefutable Law*Pastor Rod Brower**Response to the Word:** As the Holy Spirit Leads

**HYMN** Give Thanks X2 #2036 FWS

**BENEDICTION**

**THOSE ASSISTING WITH OUR SERVICE:**

Musicians: Jenny Claybaugh, Jane Wildermuth

Sound Andy Wildermuth, Kathy Berg

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Sunday School Superintendent/VBS/God’s Team: Diane Lewis

 **STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL APRIL 26, 2024 5 – 7 p.m.**

**Pie Shortcake Ice Cream Sandwiches Sides**

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