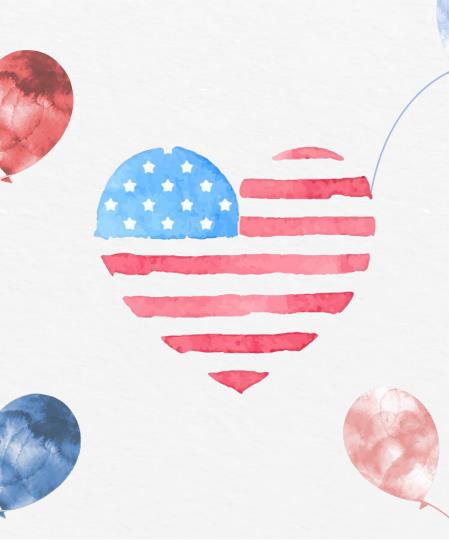
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PRELUDE

God Bless America



WELCOME

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Almighty God, unto whom all hearts and minds are open, and from whom nothing is hidden, we approach your throne of grace with thanksgiving in our hearts and praises on our lips. Thank you for this day that you have given us. Please grant us the grace to draw away from the world and draw nearer to you so that we can worship you in spirit and truth, so that you will be pleased with our offerings. God, let them rise to you as a sweet-smelling aroma. We pray in the mighty and holy name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.



-OPENING PRAYER





ANNOUNCEMENTS



01 02 Morning Midweek Service UP(Devotions

UPC Book Club

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Mon – Fri, 6:00 am via Zoom Thursday, 7:30 pm, via YouTube Sunday, 7:30 pm, via Zoom



RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

On this day set apart, we gather—grateful for grace, mindful of mercy, and eager to worship.

We come with thanksgiving, for the freedom to praise, the gift of life, and the guiding presence of the Spirit.

Spirit of God comfort, challenges, equip, and renew us.

Lord, we open our hearts to the Spirit's work, ready to be stirred, strengthened, follow your leading, and go where you send us.

Though nations may rise and fall, our hope is anchored in the One who is eternal.

We lift our eyes to the hills, from whence comes our help—our help comes from the Lord.

Let us worship God with reverence and rejoicing, with boldness and humility.

Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite your fire within us, that we may worship in spirit and truth. Amen.





UNISON READING Isaiah 30:21

Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice say, "This is the way; walk in it."



AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God the Creator, who breathed life into us and calls us into divine purpose.

We believe in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, who walked among us, taught us love and grace, and redeemed us through His sacrifice.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the fire of Pentecost, who moves among us, ignites our hearts, and empowers us to proclaim the Good News.

We believe the Holy Spirit is at work in the Church today, guiding, renewing, and uniting us in love.

We believe that through the Holy Spirit, we are called to be bearers of hope, instruments of peace, and voices of justice in the world.

This is our faith. This is our call. Thanks be to God. Amen.





My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.



CALL TO CONFESSION & SILENT MEDITATION



UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we need You every moment. Without you, we are, as the songwriter aptly describes, ships without sails, drifting through this marvelous life among mortals, seeking love and meaning in all the wrong places, only to be met with disappointment time and again. Forgive us, Lord, for the times we have failed to recognize that You alone are the source of our being. It is only through You, in You, and because of You that life finds its meaning—now and for eternity. Thank you for loving me. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer. We pray in the mighty and holy name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

GLORIA PATRI

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION



CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP



03COMMUNION HYMN

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 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, 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 his friends and 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, so we may be sustained in our faith journey. 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.



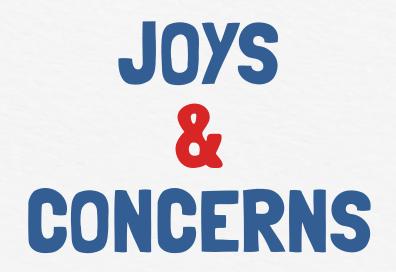
PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS

BODY This is the body of Christ that was broken for you. Take eat it all.



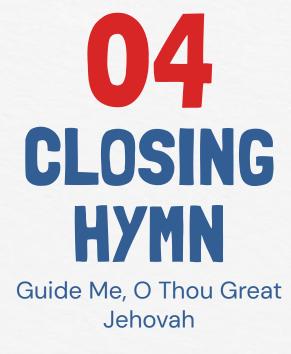


This is the blood of Christ that was shed for you. Take, drink it all.





WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING





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