



A SERVICE OF WORD & TABLE

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024
4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
SANCTUARY | 8:30 + 10:30

Edenton Street
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

LITURGY GUIDE

The service will begin on page 6 of the United Methodist Hymnal, which can be found in the back of the pew in front of you.

+ indicates to stand, where able

GTG Glory to God Hymnal

BOW Book of Worship

UMH United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS The Faith We Sing

CEB Common English Bible

GATHERING

VOLUNTARY

VOLUNTARY ON “O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES” | ALFRED FEDAK

WORDS OF WELCOME

+ **PROCESSIONAL HYMN** O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING (ST. 1-5) | UMH 57

+ **COLLECT** FOTW

We are your people, O God—the sheep of your pasture, the flock you have gathered. Lead us beside still waters; teach us the way of righteousness; and feed us at your table; through Jesus Christ, our good shepherd. Amen.

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER WITH CHILDREN (10:30)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (10:30)

CHILD OF BLESSING, ST. 4 | UMH 611



Child of God your lov-ing Par-ent, learn to know whose child you are.



Grow to laugh and sing and wor-ship, trust and love God more than all.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FOTW

Lord God, good shepherd, by the leading of your Spirit, help us to listen for your voice and follow in your pathos all the days of our lives; in Jesus' name. Amen.

PSALM

PSALM 23 | UMH 754 RESPONSE 2

+ GRADUAL HYMN (10:30)

THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS | UMH 138

Sing stanza one in preparation for the Gospel reading and stanza two as a response.

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. When the hired hand sees the wolf coming, he leaves the sheep and runs away. That's because he isn't the shepherd; the sheep aren't really his. So the wolf attacks the sheep and scatters them. He's only a hired hand and the sheep don't matter to him. I am the good shepherd. I know my own sheep and they know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. I give up my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that don't belong to this sheep pen. I must lead them too. They will listen to my voice and there will be one flock, with one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me: I give up my life so that I can take it up again. No one takes it from me but I give it up because I want to. I have the right to give it up, and I have the right to take it up again. I received this commandment from my Father."

SERMON

THE REV. NED HILL

RESPONSE

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

UMH 33

Julia Elizabeth Lawws, daughter of Christine Elizabeth Bigelow and Alan Bradley Lawws

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (10:30)

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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+ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (8:30)

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.

+ INVITATION, CONFESSION & PEACE (8:30)

UMH 7

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.

+ INVITATION & PEACE (10:30)

UMH 7

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

HOW TO GIVE:

You can make a virtual gift via Text To Give by texting **Give** to **(833) 892-7417** on your phone. Offerings left at the altar rail will go towards our Doorstep Ministry, which aims to help pay rent or utilities for people in desperate need.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:30)

BE STILL MY SOUL | MACK WILBERG

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side. With patience bear thy cross of grief or pain. Leave to thy God to order and provide; in ev'ry change he faithful will remain. Be still my soul; thy best, thy heav'nly Friend through thorny ways leads to a joyful end. Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake to guide the future as he has the past. Thy hope, thy confidence nothing shake; all now mysterious shall be bright at last. Be still my soul: the waves and winds still know His voice who ruled them while he dwelt below. Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on when we shall be forever with the Lord. When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored. Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past, all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.
—Katharina von Schlegel (b. 1697); Jane Borthwick (1813-1897), *trans.*

+ DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

+ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

RECEIVING COMMUNION

If you should need to be served in the pews, please let your usher know and our servers will come serve you there. We invite you to take the elements by intinction from the communion servers, by dipping a piece of bread into the cup. If you are more comfortable receiving individual communion elements from the trays, there is a station that is serving wafers and individual cups.

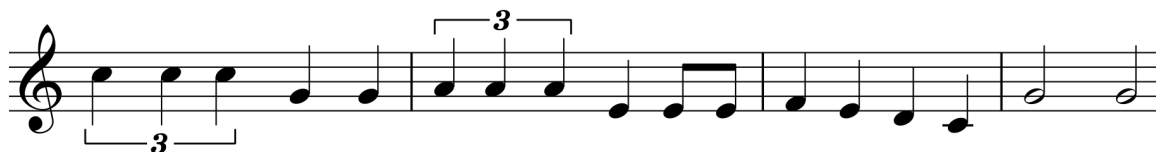
+ SANCTUS

UMH 17

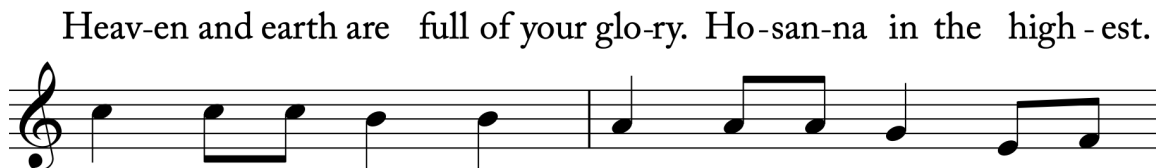
And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might.



Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.



Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the



Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

+ MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

UMH 17

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.



Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain!

+ AMEN

UMH 17

All honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.



+ THE LORD'S PRAYER

TRADITIONAL VERSION

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN DURING COMMUNION (10:30)

THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD, I'LL NOT WANT | UMH 136

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

UMH 11

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

SENDING FORTH

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Neighbor to Neighbor's purpose is to reverse the effects of poverty through mentoring relationships that focus specifically on education, development, and spirituality. To learn more, scan the QR code below.



+ CLOSING HYMN

SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US (ST. 1 & 4) | UMH 381

+ DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

TOCCATA ON "GREAT DAY" | ADOLPHUS HAILSTORK



**PASTORAL CARE
REQUEST**



SPRC CONTACT FORM

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Brooks Gullledge by his family.

UPCOMING EVENTS



2024 BUDGET	\$3,930,000.00
REVENUES AND EXPENSES	AS OF APRIL 17, 2024
TITHES & OFFERINGS	\$ 899,166.00
OTHER REVENUES	\$ 368,709.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 1,267,875.00
AS A % OF BUDGET	32%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 1,292,530.00
AS A % OF BUDGET	33%

RECYCLING

Recycling receptacles can be found in the narthex for disposal of bulletins and communion cups. Thank you for helping us with our creation care.

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY (8:30)

THE REV. NED HILL *Interim Senior Pastor & Pastor Emeritus*

THE REV. AMANDA RIGBY *Pastor of Christian Education and Spiritual Formation*

DR. FILIPPA DUKE *Director of Music and Worship Arts*

BRENDA SUMMERS *Lector*

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THE REV. MARK HOPPER *Organist & Director of Youth Music and Worship Arts*

CHANCEL CHOIR

RENAE NEWMILLER *Director of Local and Global Engagement*

SUSAN SMITH *Lector*

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY (10:30 GATHERING)

THE REV. ASHLEY GRIFFITH *Pastor of Community Life*

LEE ANDERSON *Director of Gathering Worship*