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10:00am

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Sunday Worship service

...to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world...

March 14, 2021 – Fourth Sunday of Lent

Worship service video can be found at www.HumphreysUMC.org/sermons
as well as www.tinyurl.com/LakeviewWVumcVids

Dial 304-721-2307 to listen to the sermon on the phone (local call!)
Use same phone number to listen to PK's mid-week reflections (after 2pm)

We Gather for Worship

Words of Welcome

Greetings to all in the name of Jesus Christ,

who gave of himself that we might have life abundant!

Welcome, guests and visitors!

If you are without a church home, we would love to be yours.

See the contact information listed above.

Numbers 21:4-9 (NRSV)

3/14/21

⁴ From Mount Hor the people of Israel set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. ⁵ They spoke against God and against Moses, “*Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.*”

⁶ Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. ⁷ The people came to Moses and said, “*We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.*” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸ And the Lord said to Moses, “*Make a serpent of bronze, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.*” ⁹ So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live. ✠

¹⁴ Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up ¹⁵ so that everyone who believes in him will have eternal life. ¹⁶ God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him won't perish but will have eternal life. ¹⁷ God didn't send his Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸ Whoever believes in him isn't judged; whoever doesn't believe in him is already judged, because they don't believe in the name of God's only Son.

¹⁹ "This is the basis for judgment: The light came into the world, and people loved darkness more than the light, for their actions are evil. ²⁰ All who do wicked things hate the light and don't come to the light for fear that their actions will be exposed to the light. ²¹ Whoever does the truth comes to the light so that it can be seen that their actions were done in God." ✨

Opening Prayer

For Illumination

UMH 477

Open wide the window of our spirits, O Lord,
and fill us full of light;

Open wide the door of our hearts,
that we may receive and entertain thee
with all our powers of adoration and love. Amen.

Hymn

Open My Eyes, That I May See

UMH 454

WORDS & MUSIC: Clara H. Scott, 1895

1. Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!
2. Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear;
and while the wavenotes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!
3. Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

A Responsive Reading from Psalm 107

O give thanks to the Lord, who is good,
whose steadfast love endures for ever!

***Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,
whom the Lord has redeemed from trouble
and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.***

Some were sick through their sinful ways,
and because of their iniquities endured affliction;

***they loathed any kind of food,
and they drew near to the gates of death.***

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,
and he saved them from their distress;

***he sent out his word and healed them,
and delivered them from destruction.***

Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.

***And let them offer thanksgiving sacrifices,
and tell of his deeds with songs of joy.***

Ephesians 2:1-10 (CEB)

3/14/21

2 At one time you were like a dead person because of the things you did wrong and your offenses against God. **2** You used to live like people of this world. You followed the rule of a destructive spiritual power. This is the spirit of disobedience to God's will that is now at work in persons whose lives are characterized by disobedience. **3** At one time you were like those persons. All of you used to do whatever felt good and whatever you thought you wanted so that you were children headed for punishment just like everyone else.

4-5 However, God is rich in mercy. He brought us to life with Christ while we were dead as a result of those things that we did wrong. He did this because of the great love that he has for us. You are saved by God's grace! **6** And God raised us up and seated us in the heavens with Christ Jesus. **7** God did this to show future generations the greatness of his grace by the goodness that God has shown us in Christ Jesus.

8 You are saved by God's grace because of faith. This salvation is God's gift. It's not something you possessed. **9** It's not something you did that you can be proud of.

10 Instead, we are God's accomplishment, created in Christ Jesus to do good things. God planned for these good things to be the way that we live our lives. ✨

Sermon

Response to the Word:

Hymn

WORDS: Edward Mote, 1834

My Hope Is Built

UMH 368

MUSIC: William B. Bradbury, 1863

1. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

*Refrain: On Christ the solid rock I stand,
all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.*

2. When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. *Refrain*
3. His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. *Refrain*
4. When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found!
Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne. *Refrain*

Prayers, Lord's Prayer, Blessing the Offering

If you have a celebration, petition or concern you'd like the pastor to hold in congregational prayer, please email kerry.w.bart@gmail.com and indicate whether or not you'd like the request to be made public.

**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.**

*We say "yes" to God
and we say "thank you" to God
as we give to God our tithes and our offerings.*

*During this time of COVID19 precautions, we do not "pass the plate,"
but offering plates are available for your use before or after the worship service,
and offerings can be mailed to*

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Sending forth

Leader: Jesus said that those who would be his disciples
must pick up their cross and follow him.

People: *Oh Lord, by your grace are we yours.*

Leader: 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.*

Hymn

words: Fanny J. Crosby, 1873

Blessed Assurance

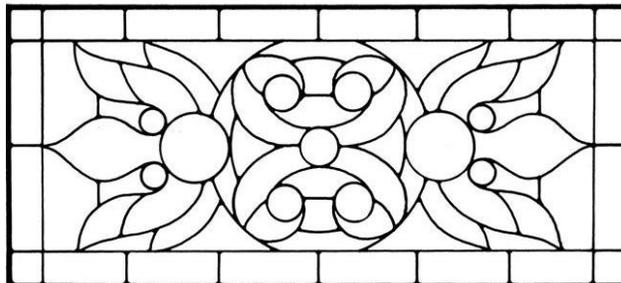
UMH 369

music: Phoebe P. Knapp, 1873

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

*Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.*

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain*
3. Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. *Refrain*



*The worship is over, the service begins!
Keep scrolling for important information...*

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP CALENDAR:

April 1, Maundy Thursday – 7pm worship service at Lakeview

April 2, Good Friday – 7pm worship service at Humphreys

April 4, Easter Sunrise – 7am worship service at the Riverlake basketball court (off Playland Drive)

April 4, Easter Sunday – **9:30am** worship service at Lakeview

April 4, Easter Sunday – **11:00am** worship service at Humphreys

PK'S SCRIPTURE READING INVITATION

I found it energizing to know others were reading the same thing I was; the point being *read Scripture*. The invitation for you to join me in reading continues:

3/14 – John 12

3/15 – John 13

3/16 – John 14

3/17 – John 15

3/18 – John 16

3/19 – John 17

3/20 – John 18

3/21 – John 19

3/22 – John 20

3/23 – John 21

3/24 – Ezra 1

3/25 – Ezra 2

3/26 – Ezra 3

3/27 – Ezra 4

3/28 – Ezra 5

BIBLE STUDY

Wed Mar 17, 3pm Zoom Bible Study. Topic: THE WAY chaps 3&4
zoom meeting ID: 870 238 944 98
password: 7799
phone in: (929) 205 6099

Wed Mar 24, 3pm Zoom Bible Study. Topic: THE WAY chaps 5&6
zoom meeting ID: 870 238 944 98
password: 7799
phone in: (929) 205 6099

Lakeview UMC continues to collect materials for **KIDKITS** for the Sojourners shelter for Women and Families. Contact Don Griffith donald.w.griffith@att.net for more information.

Box of 24 Crayons
Coloring Book
Toothbrush

Pad of Paper
Pencil
Toothpaste

Children's Book
Small stuffed animal
Comb or Brush

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