

WELCOME!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here” -Walther

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Jesus commanded us to love one another.

People: So we worship God, who is love, that we may learn to love one another.

One: Jesus said, "no longer do I call you servants, now I call you my friends."

People: So we praise the Lord our God, with whom we are friends through Christ.

All: Let us sing praises, and live in love and friendship toward all of creation.

*HYMN #466 “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” -Azmon

* PRAYER LITANY FOR THE REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING

- From the “African American Heritage Hymnal” GIA, 2001, (ed. by M. Winters)

Leader: In every era, God chooses people to serve. Such a servant was Martin Luther King, Jr., whose birth we celebrate this weekend.

People: May the wisdom and words of Dr. King rekindle our faith.

Leader: May the spirit of Dr. King flow through our daily living.

People: He believed in self-respect and dignity, even though he knew that there would be difficult days ahead.

Leader: May Dr. King’s deep love for all people be released in us, that we too might work miracles in the lives of those who continue to hate.

People: Only love can overcome hatred, bitterness, and fear.

Leader: May his struggle for social transformation continue in this generation. May all people come to believe that with perseverance, ‘We Shall Overcome’.

People: A heart full of grace and love is just as important as an education.

Leader: May we have Dr. King’s courage as we continue to stand up for justice, reconciliation, truth, and peace, despite challenge and controversy.

People: War is never a victory, regardless of the outcome.

Leader: May the work of Dr. King continue to eradicate racial injustice and its ungodly consequences.

People: Dr. King went to the mountain top, and he saw the Promised land. We will get there one day.

All: God of Glory, be with us on the journey.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

*GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. (3X) As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

ANTHEM “The Heavens Are Telling” -Beethoven

HEARING OF THE WORD Luke 4:14-30 -Reader, Walter Vail

SERMON “But, What About Me?” -Rev. Dr. Mark Winters

*HYMN #426 “Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak” -Canonbury

CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you.

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER (depts)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE (choir) “Glorious Is Your Name, O Jesus” -Fryson

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Voluntary in D Major” -Stanley

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy One, bless these gifts and the intentions of our hearts, to your holy purpose. Receive them as a token of our gratitude for the grace you continually give us all. In Christ we pray; amen

*HYMN #423 “Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun” -Duke Street

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Psalm 19” -Marcello

* Congregation Standing (if able)

Welcome to the Federated Church

We welcome you, and affirm your whole identity, including sexual, gender, racial, economic, educational, ability, and all other kinds of identity! We welcome your questions and differences of opinion or belief. If you need help finding a hymnal, restroom, or anything else you need, please ask an usher. Please also join us for coffee hour in the Parish House, across the courtyard, after worship. Our services are live-streamed. If you prefer to be off camera, we recommend sitting toward the back on the left-hand side.

Head Deacon: Mary-Jean Miner
Ushers: Karen and Jeff Meeks
Flowers: Fran Watson
Coffee Hour: Herb Ward
A/V Team Member: Bret Regan

Choir Practice: Tuesday 4:00 PM

AA Meeting: Saturday at 8:00 PM

In Office Hours: Monday, 1-3:30PM, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9AM-3PM

The Rev. Dr. Mark Winters, Minister, Mr. Peter R. Boak, Minister of Music

Mr. Jim Butterick, Moderator

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**“...Whoever you are,
whomever you love,
and wherever you are on life’s journey,
you are welcome here!”**



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