

# **CONNECTING & CARING**

# WESTWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

(Fourth Sunday in Lent)

#### **PRELUDE**

"Rejoice Greatly O My Soul," Sigfried Karg-Elert

#### **WELCOME**

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

We gather to share in our love of God.

Lord, open our hearts and let us share your Good News.

We gather to share our witness to God's goodness.

Lord, let our lives bear witness through service to your people.

We gather to praise God whose love is eternal.

Lord, open our hearts today to sing your praises. AMEN.

**HYMN** 

To God Be the Glory, Great Things He Hath Done!

**UMH 98** 

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Lord, as we gather here, on this day of sharing, remind us that you have shared with us your most precious gift, our Lord Jesus Christ. Help us to model our lives after his messages of compassion and service to you and to all your world. In Christ's Name,

we offer this prayer. AMEN.

#### THE PEACE

The Peace of the risen Christ be with you!

#### And also with you!

Let us pass the peace to one another by waving.

**INVITATION HYMN** 

**BLESSING HYMN** 

This Is the Day

**UMH 657** 

CHILDREN'S SERMON

**Jesus Loves Me** (v.1)

**UMH 191** 

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Joanne Reed

#### Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 (NRSV)

- 1 O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.
- 2 Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble
- 3 and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
- 17 Some were sick through their sinful ways, and because of their iniquities endured affliction;
- 18 they loathed any kind of food, and they drew near to the gates of death.
- 19 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress;
- 20 he sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from destruction.
- 21 Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.
- 22 And let them offer thanksgiving sacrifices, and tell of his deeds with songs of joy.

#### John 3:14-21 (NRSV)

14 And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up,

- 15 that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.
- 16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.
- 17 "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.
- 18 Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God.
- 19 And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil.
- 20 For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed.
- 21 But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

#### **RESPONSE**

This is the word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM	<b>"Be Still,"</b> D. Evans, a	ırr.C.J. Adams
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SERMON	Eternal Life in God	Heevoung Lim

OFFERING SONG I Surrender all (v.1) UMH 354
GIVING OUR GIFTS Doxology UMH 95

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

God of unwavering love, you have held nothing back in your love for us, not even your Son. How we marvel at that kind of love, and how we long to reflect a portion of that devotion back to you. As we dedicate our offerings to

you, lead us away from our tendency to hold back and worry that there will not be enough. Help us to live as the people of love and abundance you have called us to be. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

PRAYER HYMN

**Spirit of the Living God** 

**UMH 393** 

CALL TO PRAYER / PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE THE LORD'S PRAYER

**SENDING FORTH** 

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

**UMH 206** 

#### BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** 

"Nun danket alle Gott," Albert L. Travis

Organist: Joanne Reed

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Spring Bible Study: Friday 7 PM, March 15 (Hybrid Gathering)
- Order Easter Lilies (@\$15/each) will be accepted by Bonnie Harley until March 21st.
- FAITHWORKS SHOP: MON. 6: 30 PM to 8:30 PM and 1st and 3rd SATs 9AM to 1 PM
- FOOD DISTRIBUTION: MON. 6:30 to 8:30 PM and 1st and 3rd SATs 9AM to 1 PM
- LARGE FOOD DISTRIBUTION: Tuesday, March 12, from 6 PM to 7:00 PM.
- "FaithWorks Diner", Lunch on Saturday: 11 AM, March 16

#### **PRAYER LIST**



Family and friends of Alan Cardullo, Dana's brother.

Grace Damiano, Gloria Kluger, Carol Caputo,

Marlon Horn, Chu & Jinwhan Lee,

YoungBum & YoungHee Koo, George. Jagger,

Deborah Holden-Halloway, Jon Egbert, Carmen Dilia Morillo

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