

## SCRIPTURE READING

LUKE 1:68-79

PSALM 100

## SERMON

"THE FORGOTTEN HOLIDAY"

LOUIS A. MICHIELS, SR.

## ANTHEM

*GRACE ALONE*

BY SCOTT WESLEY BROWN & JEFF NELSON

## \*HYMN OF INVITATION

*I NEED THEE EVERY HOUR*

#397, UMH, v. 1 & 2

WORDS BY ANNIE S. HAWKS

MUSIC BY ROBERT LOWRY

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1. I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord; no tender voice like thine can peace afford.

Refrain: I need thee, O I need thee; every hour I need thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

2. I need thee every hour; stay thou nearby; temptations lose their power when thou art nigh. (Refrain)

## \*BENEDICTION

## \*SENDING FORTH

*ON EAGLE'S WINGS*

#143, UMH

WORDS BY MICHAEL JONCAS

MUSIC BY MICHAEL JONCAS, HARM. BY CARLTON R. YOUNG

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1. And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of God's hand.

## POSTLUDE

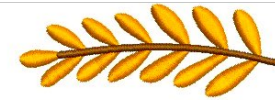
*AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL*

BY KATHERINE LEE BATES AND SAMUEL WARD



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# GIVE THANKS

*to Him and praise  
His name*

PSALM 100:4



## "The Forgotten Holiday"

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Psalms 100

November 12, 2023

Worship Service

24th Sunday after Pentecost

Sanctuary & Online

10:00 AM



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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

NURSERY IS PROVIDED (BIRTH - 4 YEARS OLD) IN THE EDUCATION BUILDING

## PRELUDE

*FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH*

BY BILL WOLAVER

## WELCOME HOME!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## HONORING OUR VETERANS

*PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE*

## CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

*HAPPINESS*

BY WILLIAM J. GAITHER

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon the earth.

**Congregation: Let all the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

The earth has brought forth its increase; may God, our own God, bless us.

**Let all peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

## \*HYMN OF PRAISE

*AMERICA*

#697, UMH

WORDS BY SAMUEL F. SMITH

MUSIC BY THESAURUS MUSICUS

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1. My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing; land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride, from every mountainside let freedom ring!
2. My native country, thee, land of the noble free, thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills; my heart with rapture thrills, like that above.
3. Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees sweet freedom's song; let mortal tongues awake; let all that breathe partake; let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.
4. Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing; long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might, great God, our King.

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

## BLESSING OF OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BOXES

## SHARING OF OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

## CALL TO PRAYER

*TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS*

#349, UMH

WORDS AND MUSIC BY HELEN H. LEMMEL  
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1. Turn you eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace. (x2)

## CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

## OFFERING PRAYER & RETURN OF GOD'S

## TITHES & GIFTS

## \*DOXOLOGY

*PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW*

#94, UMH

WORDS BY THOMAS KEN

MUSIC FROM *GEISTLICHE KIRCHENGESANGE*

ARR. BY RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

CHILDREN FROM KINDERGARTEN TO 5TH GRADE MAY GO WITH CATHY SCOTT TO THE CONFERENCE ROOM

## HYMN OF FAITH

*THERE'S WITHIN MY HEART A MELODY*

#380, UMH, v. 1, 4 & 5

WORDS AND MUSIC BY LUTHER B. BRIDGERS

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1. There's within my heart a melody Jesus whispers sweet and low: Fear not, I am with thee, peace, be still, in all of life's ebb and flow.  
Refrain: Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, sweetest name I know, fills my every longing, keeps me singing as I go.
4. Feasting on the riches of his grace, resting neath his sheltering wing, always looking on his smiling face, that is why I shout and sing. (Refrain)
5. Soon he's coming back to welcome me far beyond the starry sky; I shall wing my flight to worlds unknown; I shall reign with him on high. (Refrain)