

Morning Worship

Beginning Music “God Is So Good”

Prelude “Jesus Lover of My Soul” RoseAnne Homola

Words to ponder: “Give thanks to the Lord, whose steadfast love endures forever. Let the faithful give thanks to the Lord.”

Additional Scriptures for this Sunday: Numbers 21:4-9

Scriptures for 3rd Sunday in Lent: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:1-12; Hebrew 5:5-10; John 12:20-33

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome Pastor Ed

Call to Worship (*Responsively*) Leader

Leader: God is good.

People: All the time.

Leader: And all the time,

People: **God is good.**

Leader: Let all God's people cry out in joy:

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Come! Let us worship the Lord of our salvation.

Opening Prayer (Unison) Leader

God of immeasurable grace, you meet us in our time of need and cause your face to shine upon us. You sent your Son into the world, that we might be saved; and you fashioned us into vessels of your love and light. Redeem us this day, O God, that we may be found worthy of the one who came to bring us life. Amen.

Opening Hymn “When I Survey The Wondrous Cross”
Rose Aiello, Sheryl Rajpolt,
Sue Simmons, Dave York, RoseAnne Homola

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

A Time for Children of All Ages

Marsha Moore

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Ephesians 2:1-20 Leader

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Reading John 3:14-21 Leader

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ!

Hymn of Preparation “What Wondrous Love Is This”

Rose Aiello, Sheryl Rajpolt,
Sue Simmons, Dave York, RoseAnne Homola

Sermon ***“Do You Want A Piece Of My Cookie?”*** Pastor Ed

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer of Confession (*Unison*) Leader

Gracious God, we are tired of our own grumbling. Though we run around like errant children, we long to return to your warm embrace. Though we act as if the odds are stacked against us, we yearn to rest in the knowledge that your steadfast love endures forever. Though we crouch in the shadows, we long to feel the warmth of your love shining upon us each day. Lead us from death into life, that we might live as children of light, and serve one another as heirs of your Son, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Silent Meditation

Words of Assurance

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns Thayer Doyle

Silent Prayer followed by Pastoral Prayer

The Offering of our Gifts *(Please mail in your offerings)*

Doxology

Offering Prayer (Unison)

God of light and love, as Jesus shined your light into our troubled world, may our offering bring rays of your holy light into the dark corners of our world. May these gifts reach the places where the fear of death holds sway, that others may find Christ's life in the midst of their pain. Amen.

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

Sending Hymn "God So Loved the World"

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

Benediction

Benediction Response "Amen"

Our Worship Tech Team

Rose Aiello
Eunice Alberts
Thayer Doyle
Patti Early
Bill Florin
RoseAnne Homola
Amy Rajpolt
Sheryl Rajpolt

Pastor: Reverend Ed Dayton

Leader: Dave York; Children's Time: Marsha Moore

Joys and Concerns: Thayer Doyle

Soloist(s): Rose Aiello, Sheryl Rajpolt, Sue Simmons,
Dave York

Pianist/Organist: Ron Giannattasio and RoseAnne Homola

UMC Monroe Lay Leader: Rose Aiello

LHUMC Lay Leaders: Maggie Flemma and Tim Quinn

Music Leaders: Patti Early, RoseAnne Homola, Eunice Alberts



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