

Morning Worship

March 6, 2022, 10:00 am

**Denotes Standing, in body and/or spirit*

Worship Theme: The Power of God's Word

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements (see insert) Anita Stabler-Hussey

***Call to Worship (Responsively)** Psalm 91 Leader

Leader: You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,

People: will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."

Leader: Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place,

People: no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.

Leader: For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

People: On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

Leader: When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them.

People: With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

***Opening Hymn** "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" UMH #269
(v. 1-4)

***Opening Prayer/Prayer of Confession (Unison)** Leader
Heavenly Father, we confess that we often find it easier to separate our "religious life" from our "work life." In an effort to "not offend," we choose not to share the good news that we've been given. In some cases, we might even be embarrassed. However, as the Scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." Help us to be like the man in Scripture that proclaimed, "I believe; help my unbelief!" In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

CHOIR ANTHEM "Taste and See" Lowell Alexander

A Time for Children of All Ages

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

Epistle Lesson: Romans 10:8–13 (NRSV) Leader

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

***Gospel Lesson:** Luke 4:1–13 (NRSV)

Lector: The Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon "Wielding the Sword of the Spirit" Pastor Chuck

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn of Response "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley" TFWS #2112

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns

Silent Prayer followed by the Pastoral Prayer

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

*Doxology

Offering Prayer (Unison)

Lord Jesus, as we approach your altar with our gifts, we are reminded of the gift that you willingly gave. Open our hearts to be "cheerful givers." We are reminded in Scripture that "God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work." May we share abundantly in your good work in this world. It's in your name we pray. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Giving of the Bread and Cup

Pastor Chuck

Prayer of Thanksgiving

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*Sending Hymn "Take Time to be Holy" UMH #395
(v. 1,2,4)

*Benediction

*Benediction Resp. "Into My Heart" TFWS #2160
(v. 1)

Join us Wednesday's @ 7:30am for

Wednesday-Wakeup Devotional & Fellowship

Next up: **Genesis 15:1–12, 17–18, Luke 13:31–35**



[Zoom Link](#)

(Live Meeting)



[YouTube \(https://bitly.com/WWakeup\)](https://bitly.com/WWakeup)

(Recorded Sessions)

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Worship Livestream Zoom link:

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"Growing in the Body of Christ"