UMCM Morning Worship November 13, 2022, 10:00 am

*Denotes Standing, in body and/or spirit

Worship Theme: Hope

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements (see insert) Steve Arnold

*Call to Worship Psalm 98 (Responsively) Leader Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous

things.

People: His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him

victory.

Leader: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to

the house of Israel.

People: All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our

God.

Leader: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those

who live in it.

People: Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing

together for joy at the presence of the Lord, for he is

coming to judge the earth.

*Opening Hymn "He Has Made Me Glad" TFWS #2270

(Sing Twice)

*Opening Prayer/Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Leader Heavenly God, we come once again to Your Church, looking for answers. When our world seems to be out of control, we come dangerously close to thinking "Where is God?" or "How can God let this happen?". But you, our God, are the Lord who gives, and takes away. Forgive us for our weakness and let us cry out like Job, in the midst of chaos, saying may the name of the Lord be praised. For these trials just give us an opportunity to testify as to how great you truly are. You, O God, are always in control. Amen.

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

Choir Anthem "Be Still and know" Steven Curtis

Chapman

*Unison Prayer for Veterans Day (Unison)

We ask for blessings on all those who have served their country in the armed forces. We ask for healing for the veterans who have been wounded, in body and soul, in conflicts around the globe. We pray especially for the young men and women, who come home with injured bodies and traumatized spirits. Bring solace to them, O Lord; may we pray for them when they cannot pray. We ask for an end to wars and the dawning of a new era of peace. Have mercy on all our veterans. Bring peace to their hearts and peace to the regions they fought in. Bless all the soldiers who served in non-combative posts; May their calling to service continue in their lives in many positive ways. Give us all the creative vision to see a world which, grown weary with fighting, moves to affirming the life of every human being and so moves beyond war. Hear our prayer, O Prince of Peace, hear our prayer. Amen

A Time for Children of All Ages

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Lesson: <u>Isaiah 65:17–25</u> (NRSV) Leader

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God!

*Gospel Lesson: <u>Luke 21:5-19</u> (NRSV)
Lector: The Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon "Finding the Hope" Pastor Chuck

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***Hymn of Response** "My Hope is Built" UMH #368

(v. 1,2,3)

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns

*Doxology & The Offering of our Gifts

Words of Assurance

Offering Prayer (Unison)

Awesome God, you offer us so much. You offer Hope. You offer peace that surpasses all understanding. You offer us the promise of a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells. You offer us yourself, to be with us always, to the very end of the age. So what, in comparison, can we offer back to you? And yet, you still welcome any gift that we offer. May these gifts, and our love of You, be blessed to do Your work in this world. We thank you for this opportunity to be a part of Your work. Amen.

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

UMH #733

*Sending Hymn "March to Zion" (v. 1,2,4)

*Benediction

*Benediction Resp. "Together We Serve" TFWS #2175

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Coffee Hour Hosted by the Arnolds

Join us Wednesday's @ 7:30am for **Wednesday-Wakeup** Devotional & Fellowship

Next up: Luke 23:33-43



Zoom Link YouTube (https://bitly.com/WWakeup)
(Live Meeting) (Recorded Sessions)

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Worship Livestream Zoom link:

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Meeting ID: 965 4066 9674 Passcode: 2819 Dial-in: +1 929 205 6099

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