

UMCM Morning Worship

March 12, 2023, 10:00 am

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

Worship Theme: Living Water

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude RoseAnne Homola, Piano

Welcome & Announcements (see insert) Lynn Abbott

***Call to Worship** Psalm 95/96 (*Responsively*) Leader

Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

People: Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

Leader: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

People: In His hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are His also.

Leader: For He is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

People: O that today you would listen to His voice!

Leader: Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,

People: when your ancestors tested me, and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

People: Sing to the Lord, bless His name; tell of His salvation from day to day.

***Opening Hymn** "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" UMH #127

***Opening Prayer** Leader

Holy Jesus, you are so patient with us. We grumble, you provide, and as soon as we're uncomfortable - we grumble again! Forgive us for our weakness. Forgive us for our lack of trust in what you provide to us - every day. *You are our strength when we are weak.*

You are the treasure that we seek. You are our all in all. Let us drink from your living water today so that we will never be thirsty again! More than that, let it empower us so that many from our city will believe in you because of our testimony. In your Holy Name. Amen.

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

Choir Anthem "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" by Tom Fettke

A Time for Children of All Ages

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Lesson: [Exodus 17:1-7](#) (NRSV) Leader

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

***Gospel Lesson:** [John 4: 5-42](#) (NRSV)

Lector: The Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon He is with Us Pastor Chuck

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn of Response "[Honey in the Rock](#)" Brooke Ligertwood

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns

*Doxology & The Offering of our Gifts

Offering Prayer

Holy God, you made yourself present to the Israellites in the wilderness. Again, you made yourself present in the person of Jesus. We now make ourselves present to You. Just as you poured into your people living water, let this time of offering allow us to pour into your people as well. We pour our treasures. We pour our hearts. We pour our lives into those You direct us to. Please bless these gifts, and our lives, for Your service in this world. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*Sending Hymn "O How He Loves You and Me" TFWS #2180

*Benediction

*Benediction Resp. "Great is the Lord" TFWS #2022
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Postlude

Coffee Hour Hosted by Rose Aiello

Coming Up:

Mar. 19th - Regular Service @10am - "Now I See!"

Join us LIVE or ONLINE as we resume our study of God's Word to hear the words of a man Jesus cured of blindness; "One thing I do know. I was blind but now I see!" ([John 9:1-41](#)). Join us and have Jesus open your eyes!

Join us Wednesday's @ 7:30am for

Wednesday-Wakeup Devotional & Fellowship



[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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