

UMCM Morning Worship

June 4, 2023, 10:00 am

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

Worship Theme: The Great Commission

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude "Spirit of the Living God" Robert W. Tygerson

Welcome & Announcements (see insert) Anita Stabler-Hussey

***Call to Worship (Responsively)** *Psalm 8* Leader

Leader: O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

People: **You have set your glory above the heavens.**

Leader: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established;

People: **what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?**

Leader: Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.

People: **You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet,**

Leader: O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

***Opening Hymn** "We Shall Overcome" UMH #533
(v. 1,4,5)

***Opening Prayer (Unison)** *by Denise Wiley* Leader
Almighty God and Father. I thank you for this time with you. I thank you for the most precious gift of your Holy Spirit. You promised never to make us orphans and so you sent us a helper. Breathe into me O Holy Spirit. Fill my heart and my life with your grace. Reach the hardest and darkest parts of my soul and enkindle in me the fire of your love. Everytime I am tempted to turn away from you, I pray you will show me your holy light and let it shine deep within me. Grant me with the courage to share it with those around me and those you entrust in my care. Amen

Words of Assurance

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

CHOIR ANTHEM "Feed Me Lord" Patrick M. Liebergen

A Time for Children of All Ages

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Lesson: [Gen. 12:1-3; 17:1-6; 22:15-18](#) (NRSV) Leader

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

***Gospel Lesson:** [Matthew 28:16–20](#) (NRSV)

Lector: The Word of God for the People of God

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon "Go...and Make Disciples" **Pastor Chuck**

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn of Response "I've Got Peace Like a River" TFWS #2145

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns

Silent Prayer followed by the Pastoral Prayer

The Offering of our Gifts

***Doxology**

Offering Prayer (Unison)

Heavenly God; everything we have, and everything we are, comes from you. So, once again, we offer back to you our *first fruits from our harvest*. May they be used to strengthen this congregation, but more importantly, to make disciples of all nations starting right here in Monroe. Lord, your reach is so much greater than our imagination. Use these gifts, and our lives, to baptize, to teach, and to know Jesus and make him known. We love you, Lord. 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 "The Spirit Sends Us Forth" TFWS #2241
(v. 1-3)

*Benediction

*Benediction Response "Surely the Presence of the" UMH #328
Lord is in this Place"

Postlude

Join Us for Coffee Hour

Coming Up:

June 11th - Sunday Worship Service @10am - Join us LIVE or ONLINE as we resume our study of God's Word.

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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Pianist/Organist: RoseAnne Homola Lay Leader: Rose Aiello
Music Leaders: Patti Early and RoseAnne Homola

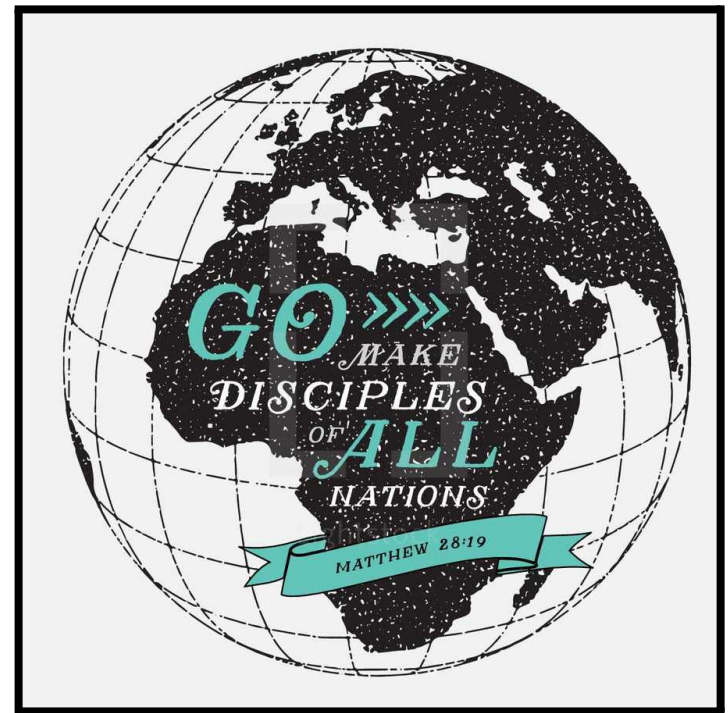
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Worship Livestream Zoom link:

<https://zoom.us/j/96540669674?pwd=OEVTYXdILzBucDR4YzBvdEwwSlkyQT09>

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"Growing in the Body of Christ"