

WELCOME

SONG OF PRAISE: "Take My Life and Let It Be" (UMH #399)

OFFERING/CHANGING THE WORLD

CALL TO PRAYER: "O for a Heart to Praise My God" (UMH #417)

CONFESSION

O merciful God, we confess that we have not acknowledged you as the source of our successes, our substance, our selves. We have been far more ready to complain when things go wrong than to praise when all is well. We have fed our bodies a rich diet while neglecting to feed our souls. Power and wealth have assumed greater importance to us than sensitivity and service. We have allowed religious words and forms to substitute for living encounters with the persons you have called us to love. Forgive us, compassionate Redeemer, and grant us the opportunity to start over again. Keep us from repeating the mistakes of the past or from new evils that could mislead or destroy. In the name of Christ, we offer our earnest prayers for pardon and deliverance. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

CHILDREN'S TIME

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, by the power of your Spirit open our hearts and minds to receive your Word that we not forget the wonders you have done nor neglect to make them known to our children, nor fail to tell them to the world. Amen.

SCRIPTURE: Song of Solomon 2:8-13 (NRSV)

SONG: "Change My Heart, O God" (FWS #2152)

SCRIPTURE: James 1:17-27 (NRSV)

SERMON: "Be a Doer"

Rev. Laura Hewett Becker

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG OF COMMITMENT: "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" (UMH #402)

BLESSING/BENEDICTION



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8:30 AM SERVICE

GATHERING/WELCOME

HYMN OF PRAISE: "Take My Life and Let It Be" (UMH #399)

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of the Holy Spirit that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE: James 1:17-27 (NRSV)

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RESPONSE TO THE WORD: Apostle's Creed (UMH #882)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HOLY COMMUNION

- ◆ INVITATION
- ◆ CONFESSION: **Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done you will. We have broken your law. We have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**
- ◆ OFFERING
- ◆ GREAT THANKSGIVING
- ◆ PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING: **Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG: "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" (UMH #402)

BLESSING/BENEDICTION

9:45 AM SERVICE

GATHERING SONG

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP: "Battle Belongs"

CALL TO PRAYER: "Give Us Clean Hands"

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SCRIPTURE READING: Song of Solomon 2:8-13 (NRSV)

CHORUS: "Step by Step"

SCRIPTURE READING: James 1:17-27 (NRSV)

SERMON: "Be a Doer"

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OFFERING/CHANGE THE WORLD

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Walk by Faith"

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW AND SERVE

CLOSING SONG: "My Heart Is Yours"

BLESSING