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UNION UNIVERSITY CHURCH
AUGUST 1, 2021
ORDER OF WORSHIP
Fusion Church

PRELUDE "Great Is The Lord" *by M. Smith & D. Smith*

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INTRODUCTION

Larry Casey

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come into the presence of God to be fed. Come to call on God, who is eager to answer.

People: We gather to seek God's face. Let our eyes see all that is right and true.

Leader: Incline your ears to hear all God would teach. Seek to experience God's love.

People: We are here to receive God's blessing. God is our refuge in a frightening world.

Leader: God is near to all who call and seek. Come to praise God and receive a blessing.

People: Open all of our senses to pay close attention, O God. May we renew our covenant today and every day with you, the living God.

*** HYMN #374**

"Standing on the Promises"

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Holy Spirit, Breath of peace: come upon our hearts so that we may give love to others; bless our hands so that we may serve those in need; bring us your hope, so that we may live in joy.
Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

COMMON PRAYER

SILENT PRAYER – LORD'S PRAYER (*using debts-debtors*)

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 16

Leader: Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

People: As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight.

Leader: Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.

People: The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

Leader: The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.

People: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

Leader: I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

People: Therefore, my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

Leader: For you do not give me up to Sheol or let your faithful one see the Pit.

People: You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

TIME OF OFFERING OURSELVES IN COMMITMENT

MUSICAL OFFERTORY

Chorale prelude on "All Must Die" *J S Bach*

*** DOXOLOGY AND BLESSING**

*** HYMN #381**

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

*** SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Luke 5:17-25

SERMON

"An Extraordinary Ordinary Day"

*** HYMN #400**

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*** BENEDICTION**

*** BENEDICTION RESPONSE #898**

Danish Three-fold Amen

POSTLUDE

* Those who are able please stand

*Following worship, Zoomers are invited to remain for a virtual coffee hour.
In person coffee hour in the King David Room*

Serving Today

Guest PreacherRev. Louise Barger
Lay Leader.....Jen Smith
Flowers..... Lana Meissner
Coffee.....UUC Diaconate
PianoPeter O'Connor
Organ.....Laurel Buckwalter
Zoom Co-host.....John Buckwalter

This morning we welcome The Reverend Louise Barger, our candidate for intentional interim minister. Dr. Barger is the retired Executive Minister of the American Baptist Churches of the Rocky Mountains, coming to that position in 1993 and serving until July of 2004. While serving as Executive Minister she served two terms as the President of the Colorado Council of Churches. Prior to her years of ministry, she worked as a registered nurse in various settings, including the faculty of St. Louis University. Since retiring as Executive Minister she has done consulting work with local churches, served as Chaplain for the Colorado Senate, as Interim Executive Minister for the American Baptist Churches of Oregon (now known as the Central Pacific Region), and as the Interim Senior Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Greater Des Moines, Iowa, Calvary Baptist Church in Newark, Delaware, First Baptist Church of Dayton, Ohio, and First United Church of Fulton, New York. Dr. Barger and her late husband, Bill, have two sons, one daughter, seven grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. She makes her home in O'Fallon, Missouri, a suburb of St. Louis, Missouri. She is a member of Third Baptist Church in St. Louis, Missouri.

Looking Ahead

Sunday, August 8, 2021

Guest Preacher.....Rev. Sarah Jacoby- Murphy
Lay Leader.....Joan Bowden
Flowers..... Laurel Buckwalter
Coffee.....Linell Soule
PianoPeter O'Connor
Organ.....Laurel Buckwalter
Zoom Co-host.....John Buckwalter

AUGUST LEADERS

DeaconBarb Willis
ElderJen Smith
Fellowship.....TBD
Trustee..... Laurel Buckwalter
BOCE..... TBD

PRAYER CONCERNS

Ding Jiayi & family, Michelle Garcia Escobar, Clayton Stutzman, Hugh Langelier, Lois Stiles, Wes Bentz, 4 yr. old Lowin, Marnie Johnson (Joan Schulze’s niece), Sharon Burdick, Michele Hluchy’s father (Rev. Stephen Hluchy), Tiersa Watson’s mother (recovering from hip surgery), Nolan Tormey (recovering from knee surgery), Sharon Smith & family on the death of her husband, Roger.



MISSION STATEMENT

We are what God’s grace has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works (Ephesians 2:8-10), and so we, the members of the Union University Church, commit ourselves to be a church:

- Where people find the support and encouragement needed to live faithfully for Christ, where through worship, sharing, and the study of God’s word we learn to integrate our faith into daily lives.
- Where our children learn integrity and moral courage through our teaching and example;
- And where we affirm the inclusiveness and the power of God’s love and dedicate ourselves and our resources to making that love manifest in our community and throughout the world.