



GATHERING MUSIC

Robert Galbreath, piano

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

PRELUDE: "Word of God, Come Down on Earth" (Johann R. Ahle)

Timothy Barnes, organ

WELCOME STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY AND CONNECTION

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Welcome to worship, God's beloved! **YES, I Am Welcome! Bienvenidas y bienvenidos!**

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING PRAYER

**God—our creator, our redeemer, our great parent and supporter—we ask Your presence here now, as we worship You, and as we explore the difficulties of mental health. We ask Your grace, in the discussion of hard topics, and we ask Your blessings upon our efforts to learn and grow. Amen.**

*\* Please rise, in body or in spirit.*

**Bold type** indicates congregational response.

\*OPENING HYMN: "Lord, We Come to Ask Your Healing" . . . . . Upper Room # 196 vs. 1-2

## TIME FOR PRAYER

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

...Too many injustices. And still I looked the other way. **Have mercy on me, O Lord.**

...I have cared too little. I have grieved too little. **Have mercy on me, O Lord.**

...And in my silence, I am an accomplice to bigotry. **Forgive me, O Lord.**

...and I will appropriately seek their forgiveness. **Empower me, O Lord.**

...But this I know. I cannot be the same. And I will not. **Amen!**

THE PRAYER OF JESUS *[You are invited to say this prayer in the language of your heart.]*

**Our God in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kindom 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 kindom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASIAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH: "Lesser Known Stories of Asian People"

## TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

### SCRIPTURE READING: Ecclesiastes 1:1-11

The sayings of Qoheleth ben-David, and ruler in Jerusalem: "Completely illusory!" says Qoheleth. "Completely illusory! Everything is just an illusion!" What is humankind's benefit for all its labor under the sun? One generation goes and another comes, but the world goes on forever. The sun rises, then sets, then quickly gets ready to rise again. The wind blows first to the south, then to the north; it swirls round and round, and then repeats its circuit. All rivers empty into the sea, but the sea never fills up; again and again the rivers go where they've always gone. Everything is more wearisome than words can possibly express—even so, our eyes are never satisfied with what they see, and our ears are never satisfied with what they hear. What has been before will continue to be, and what has been done before will continue to be done—there's nothing new under the sun! Can you think of anything about which we can say, "Aha, this is new?" No—already it has been here for ages, long before our time. Yet there is no remembrance of things past, nor will there be any remembrance of things to come by those who come even later.

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## MESSAGE

Student Intern Lee Rollins

## THE INVITATION TO OFFERING

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## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**God of shattered minds and broken souls, we ask Your blessing upon these offerings, and dedicate them to Your purpose and love, that they may bring healing and peace to someone who needs it; that they bring joy and hope to someone who has forgotten what that feels like, and that they bring Your kingdom into being here on earth. Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN: "We Lay Our Broken World" . . . . . Upper Room # 156 vs. 1 & 3

## \*BENEDICTION

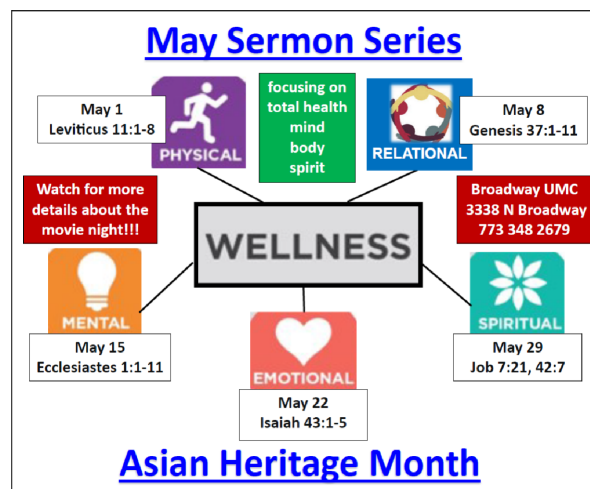
Beloveds, all is not lost. Life is hard, but there is beauty amidst the difficulty. Mental health is hard, but we are all wonderfully made, all children of a loving Creator. Remember these things. Hold these truths close. And go forth from this place in the assurance that you are never alone. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE: "Take Time to Be Holy" (George C. Stebbins)

Timothy Barnes, organ

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We are black, brown, red, yellow, white, and all the colors of God's created rainbow. We are lesbian, gay, bisexual, asexual, and straight. We are transgender, intersex, female, male, gender fluid. We are queer. We are questioning. We are every age. We are every ability. We are every economic & theological location. We are YOU.

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