

GATHERING MUSIC

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

PRELUDE "Take My Life and Let it Be" (Louis Herold)

Tim Barnes, organ and Robert Galbreath, piano

*Opening Hymn "O How I Love Jesus" United Methodist Hymnal # 170

OPENING PRAYER

God of Freedom, our hearts are full because of your presence and compassion. Help us to reach far and wide with the hands of love so that all may know freedom in you. We come to you in this moment, and our cups are running over with thanksgiving. Amen!

WELCOME STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY AND CONNECTION

[Please use the Friendship pads or the QR code to mark your presence with us.]

Welcome to worship, God's beloved!

YES, I Am Welcome! Bienvenidas y bienvenidos!

*Passing of the Peace

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* Please rise, in body or in spirit.



FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Acts 11:1-18

The apostles and the community in Judea heard that Gentiles, too, had accepted the word of God. As a result, when Peter went up to Jerusalem, some of the Jewish believers took issue with him. "So you have been visiting the Gentiles and eating with them, have you?" they said. Peter then explained the whole affair to them step by step from the beginning: "One day when I was in the town of Joppa, I fell into a trance while at prayer and had a vision of something like a big sheet being let down from heaven by its four corners. This sheet came quite close to me. I watched it intently and saw in it all sorts of animals and wild beasts—everything possible that could walk, crawl or fly. Then I heard a voice that said to me, 'Now, Peter, make your sacrifice and eat.' I replied, 'I can't, my God. Nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth!' And a second time the voice spoke from heaven. 'Don't call profane what God has made clean.' This happened three times, then the sheet and what was in it was drawn up to heaven again. Just at that moment, three couriers stopped outside the house where we were staying; they had been sent from Caesarea to fetch me, and the Spirit told me to have no hesitation about returning with them. These six believers came with me as well, and we entered Cornelius' house. He told us he had seen an angel standing in the house who had said, 'Send messengers to Joppa and bring back Simon, known as Peter; he has a message for you that will save you and your entire household.' I had hardly begun to speak when the Holy Spirit came down on them in the same way she came on us in the beginning, and I remembered what Christ had said: 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' I realized then that God was giving them the same gift that had been given to us when we came to believe in our Savior Jesus Christ. And who am I to stand in God's way?" This account satisfied them, and they gave glory to God, saying, "God has granted the repentance that leads to life—even to Gentiles!"

May God bless the speaking and hearing of the Word. Amen.

TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS

MUSIC MINISTRY "Woke Up This Mornin'" / "He Brought Me from a Mighty Long Way"

Julia Sibley and Robert Galbreath

READING FROM THE WORLD

TIME FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

John 13:31-35

Once Judas left, Jesus said, "Now is the Chosen One glorified and God is glorified as well. If God has been glorified, God will in turn glorify the Chosen One and will do so very soon. My little children, I won't be with you much longer. You'll look for me, but what I said to the Temple authorities, I say to you: where I am going, you cannot come. I give you a new commandment: Love one another. And you're to love one another the way I have loved you. This is how all will know that you're my disciples: that you truly love one another."

Here ends the reading of the Gospel. This is the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

MESSAGE Lee Rollins

TIME FOR OFFERING

Invitation to Offering

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*THE DOXOLOGY

United Methodist Hymnal # 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Web of Life, undo within us the lie that we are alone. Weave us together. Amidst our differences, unite us towards liberation. Bless our offerings to the world we dream of. Co-create with us healing, tenderness, and care. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" The Faith We Sing # 2223

SENDING FORTH

Beloveds, let us go forth—moving emotion through our bodies, attending to the needs of the day, connecting to those around us, aligning ourselves with the task of liberation even amidst sorrow, meeting the Holy in the everyday, for the Holy always goes with us. **Amen.**

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CELEBRATING GOD'S LOVE FOR ALL PEOPLE

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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