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In-house and Live-stream Worship

April 10, 2022 10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday

Gathering

Gathering Music

"One Love"

Words and Music: Bob Marley

Praise Band

Pastoral Welcome with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Scripture

Philippians 2:5-11 (NRSV)

Prayer of Welcome with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Holy One, the gates are open! The doors are open! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of God! Blessed are those who come to see Jesus. Blessed are we who come before God! God's steadfast love endures forever! Amen!

Song of Welcome

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" UMH 278

Words: Jeanette Threlfall, 1873

Music: Gesangbuch der H. W. k. Hofkapelle, 1784

Adam Ferrara

*Children's Time (and released to Sunday School)

Sharing the Word

Scripture with Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister

2 Corinthians 5:14-19 and Mark 1:9-15 (NRSV)

Message

The Wilderness of Beginning

Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Special Music

"Songs from Silence"

Words: Brian Newsome Music: Elaine Hagenberg

"All Things New"

Words: Frances Havergal Music: Elaine Hagenberg

Chancel Choir

Pastoral Prayer with Lord's Prayer with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

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.

Response to the Word

Special Music

"And Can It Be?"

Words: Charles Wesley Music: Dan Forrest Chancel Choir

*Call to Offering and Action with Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister

Invitation and Dedication: Prayer

Lord God, who has given to us so many gifts, your generosity is sometimes even more than we can comprehend. We praise you for all your loving gifts. Now we bring to you our gifts. May these gifts that we bring now, and our lives, be dedicated by you for service and ministry. May all that we do show to all the world your great love for all humankind; in Christ's name. Amen.

Commissioned into the World

Song of Sending

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

Words and Music: Paul Baloche

Praise Band

Benediction with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Postlude

"Forever"

Words and Music: Chris Tomlin

Praise Band

Pastors: Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw, Associate Pastor of Music and Visitation, Rev. Frank Hallock and Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister

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Announcements

The **Call to Offering and Action** highlights our response to God's love through our action, service and financial support. Each week we pray for a community partner, special project and/or people who are making a difference in our community and world. The United Methodist Church and this local congregation live our faith through our giving in many ways. Your giving starts here and is multiplied by God. Thank you.

Flowers for Birthdays, Anniversaries and Special Events - Is there someone or something you would like to recognize and celebrate? Let us know WHAT and WHEN you would like "Flowers" and Michael Beu will create a "Flower Slide" just for you. Please click on this link: http://specialeventslides.umcvista.org/ to fill out a form in order to request the flowers.

Weekly Lenten Practices: Plant a tree or a flower. Take a moment to be grateful for this world. Place your hands in the dirt and rejoice.

Weekly Lenten Practices: Read or listen to the Gospel of John. Write down a verse that you like or want to remember in your journal.

The Carol Pence Challenge: Thank you to Carol Pence for the opportunity to close the \$73,000 projected budget gap. Today, Carol's challenge has brought in \$7,690 for our budgeted ministries. If you want to help close our gap with a special donation or to increase your pledged giving, please mark your giving "Carol Pence Challenge."