

Good Morning Church!

**NORTH BEND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Sunday, January 23, 2022

*Because God is worthy we worship*

*\*indicates to stand, if able*

**GATHERING AND WELCOME**

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

*(Are there any other Announcements?)*

## COME BEFORE THE LORD

### **\*Call to Worship<sup>1</sup>**

Leader: God's glory is pouring forth from the heavens.

**People: Earth below receives the good news with great joy.**

Leader: The promise is sure and true, that Jesus has come to show us the best ways to serve God.

**People: By serving and caring for others, we truly serve God.**

Leader: Come, let us prepare ourselves for joyful service.

**People: Lord, make us ready for great service in your name.**

**Amen.**

### **\*Singing**

*I Love to Tell the Story*

UMH #156

(v. 1, 4)

**1. I love to tell the story  
of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory,  
of Jesus and his love.**

**I love to tell the story,  
because I know 'tis true;  
it satisfies my longings  
as nothing else can do.**

*Refrain*

**I love to tell the story,  
'twill be my theme in glory,  
to tell the old, old story  
of Jesus and his love.**

**4. I love to tell the story,  
for those who know it best  
seem hungering and thirsting  
to hear it like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory,  
I sing the new, new song,  
'twill be the old, old story  
that I have loved so long.**

*Refrain*

**I love to tell the story,  
'twill be my theme in glory,  
to tell the old, old story  
of Jesus and his love.**

## **PRAY UNTO THE LORD**

### **\*Praying Together<sup>2</sup>**

**O wondrous God, on this holy day, we have gathered together once again to celebrate your presence among us, to praise you, and to thank you for all you have given us. May this time of worship strengthen and refresh us, and fill us with such joy that we cannot help but share it with everyone around us. Though we are very different people, with many different talents and gifts, make us one in your Spirit, that we may be your ministers in the world. Amen.**

### **Joys & Concerns**

### **Silent & Pastoral Prayer**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

## HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

### Anthem

### Reading the Scripture

John 17:1-5 (NIV)

17:1 After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:

“Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you.

2 For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him.

3 Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

4 I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do.

5 And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

### Proclaiming the Gospel

*His Glory*

## RESPOND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD

**\*Singing**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

UMH # 384

(verses 1, 4)

**1. Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down;  
fix in us thy humble dwelling;  
all thy faithful mercies crown!  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation;  
enter every trembling heart.**

**4. Finish, then, thy new creation;  
pure and spotless let us be.  
Let us see thy great salvation  
perfectly restored in thee;  
changed from glory into glory,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.**

**GO IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD**

**\*Receiving the Blessing**

**Postlude**

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