

Order of Worship

2nd Sunday after Epiphany Lay Leadership Commissioning January 19, 2025, 9:00am

** PRELUDE

Still, Still With Thee Op.30, No.3

Marva Doucet

Mendelssohn

WELCOME Pastor Leo Tyler

CALL TO WORSHIP Kay Kennedy

Leader: Jesus teaches us that the greatest commandment is to love the Lord with all our heart, soul, and mind.

All: We come to worship, seeking to love God with all that we are and all that we have.

Leader: And Jesus calls us to love our neighbors as ourselves, to reflect God's love in every action and word.

All: We come, ready to serve and care for one another, showing the love that God has shown to us.

Leader: As we worship together, let us remember these two commandments.

All: May we be strengthened by God's love to live in unity, compassion, and justice, for the sake of Christ's kingdom. Amen.

*Opening Hymn Love Divine, All Loves Excelling UMH 384, vs 1,2,4

* ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING

Pastor Leo Tyler

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH THE APOSTLE'S CREED *UMH* 881

Led by Kay Kennedy

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF LAY LEADERSHIP*

*LIST BELOW

RESPONSE: We will faithfully participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Kristi Garner

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.

OFFERING Pastor Leo Tyler

(Place your offering in the offering plate as it is handed down the pew. You can also give electronically using the QR Code at the check-in table or text "give" to 281-377-3665)

OFFERING ANTHEM

The Tie That Binds
BCUMC Chancel Choir

Mason/Lopez

* **DOXOLOGY** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH 94

* SCRIPTURE Matthew 22:34-40 (NIV)
Read by Kay Kennedy

Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

The Word of God for the People of God. Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

How Do I Love My Neighbor? Debbie McLean Bear Creek UMC Lay Leader

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

(Those desiring to join the church through profession of faith or transfer of membership are invited to text "join" to the pastor, 832-773-4901)

* HYMN OF INVITATION The Gift of Love UMH 408

POSTLUDE I Need Thee Every Hour Hayes

Marva Doucet

* SENDING FORTH Pastor Leo Tyler

BENEDICTION Great Is Thy Faithfulness UMH 140 (Refrain)

** Please silence all electronics

* Please stand if you are able

Weekly Prayer

Father, we lift our leaders up to You today. Draw them close to Yourself, Your wisdom, and Your ways through Your grace. Lord, we ask that You would help lead them in making the right decisions that align with what You would like to accomplish in Your will and Your plan. Father, help us, as Your people to show proper love and respect to our leaders. It's not always easy, but as You extend grace to us, may we also extend grace to those whom You have permitted to be in authority over us so that we might honor You. Holy Spirit, we want to see everyone, especially our leaders, walk in the blessing that comes with living out a life of faithfulness and obedience to You. Create a desire within our leaders to be pleasing to You and use our leaders to help bless and prosper our city. Father, we trust You above all rulers and human authorities. Guide our leaders as You see fit. We pray for them that they would yield to Your Spirit and Your wisdom. Lead them according to Your perfect will. Let our leaders fulfill their God-given destiny and accomplish the assignments You have for them. Amen. *Paraphrased from klove.com*

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WORSHIP – LISA ANDREASON

Sunday Worship 9:00am (Traditional Worship)

11:15am (Contemporary Worship)

Communion Stewards:

9:00 Traditional Service: Kurt and Lisa Andreason, Karen Baker, Emily and Kevin Calvert, Janet Charpiot, Emily and Trey Davis, Joan Di Carlo, Jana, Brian and Audrey Jones, Terry and Carmen Kelley, Harold and Kieran Kinkaid, Norma Mushen, Linda Neubauer, Michael Quintero, Ivelisse Baerga Valentin, Andrea Votaw

11:15 Contemporary Service: Melinda and Larry Eggenberger, Jay and

Trina Frier, Paula and Sal Macias, Paul and Deborah Plattsmier, Rick and Julie Wilson

Ushers: Bill Clark, Head usher, Marco Baez, Al Balboni, Rex Littrell, Paul

Plattsmier, Marqui Sparks

Altar Guild: Wes Stewart

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