

Order of Worship - July 11, 2021

We are glad you are worshiping with us today! As a part of our commitment to care for the vulnerable among us, we are asking everyone to continue to wear a mask as we readjust to in-person worship. During hymns, please sing with your mask on. Following worship, please exit the Sanctuary and building completely to enjoy fellowship with one another outside.

Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Prelude

*Call to Worship Worship Leader: Julie Ponting

One: In this community,

Many: We find God's promise.

One: In this community,

Many: We feel the stirring of the Holy Spirit.

One: In this community,

Many: We meet Jesus just where we are.

One: In this community,

Many: We show one another love, grace, compassion, and comfort.

One: In this community,

Many: We get to be the hands, feet, and heart of God.

One: In this community,

ALL: We are the body of Christ.

*Hymn Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah **UMH #127**

Opening Prayer

God of captives and pilgrims,

you brought your people home from despair

and gave them a land of freedom and plenty.

Look in mercy on us your servants,

deliver us from the prison of selfishness and sin,

and bring us home to justice, sharing, and compassion,

the realm you promised all the world

in Jesus Christ the Savior, Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37; Joshua 3:9 - 4:8

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

What Do These Stones Mean to You? Sermon Rev. Michelle Mejia

*We rise in body or spirit

Offering

Financial offerings can be placed in the offering box, mailed to the church office, made online at www.uumcp.org/electronic-giving, or by texting an amount you want to give to: 301-364-9236

Stones of Remembrance

Special Music Deep River arr. Moses Hogan

Millicent Scarlett - Soprano

*Doxology

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer UMH #895

*Hymn On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand UMH #724

verses 1 and 4

Opportunities to Serve

*Benediction

*Postlude

Our thanks to Dana Scott for playing piano today. Thank you to the Letsome Family for today's beautiful flowers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2021 Summer Sermon Series

Worship Reconstructed: Gathering, Word, Table, Sending Forth
Have you ever wondered about the pattern of worship that we follow and where it came
from? Have you ever felt that some parts of a service were boring but found others
extremely meaningful? What does it mean to worship anyway? This worship series,
rooted in the ancient fourfold pattern of worship, explores and reimagines what we do
when we gather.

Bob Slack's Memorial Service - July 24 10:00 am. You are invited to join us as we celebrate Bob's life.

(Re)Connect: Get to know one another again, or for the first time! Sign up for a series of small group gatherings for the month of August and learn something you never knew about someone in our community.

Meet Today's Caterer: Shawna Foster's motto is "Taking over the world, one crumb at a time". She has been in the restaurant business for about six years, but created her own business last October. Shawna's delicious baked goods may be bought from the Paint Branch Farmer's Market on Saturday mornings.

Coming in Fall:

University of Maryland opens to in-person learning. All staff and students must be vaccinated. Football games will have an audience!

University Church Nursery School will open with two classes.

Join us for other church activities, both in-person and virtually!

Sundays

10:30 am Worship, in-person in the Sanctuary

11:30am Fellowship

Wednesday Zoom Prayer Call, noon Send Prayer Requests: office@uumcp.org

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