

UNIVERSITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Fifth Sunday in Lent | March 29, 2020 | 10:30 a.m.

Pastor - Reverend Michelle Mejia



Becoming the Beloved: Living as the Beloved

Order of Worship - Streaming Service

WE GATHER FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE

Gathering Music

Have Thine Own Way, Lord (UMH #382)
Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling (UMH #348)

George Stebbins
Thompson



Welcome Message

Call to Worship

Leader: Many voices clamor for our attention.
People: But the Voice who matters most says:
Leader: "You are my beloved."
People: And I am sending you into the world."
Leader: Let us open our hearts and listen together
People: To the Voice who calls and sends us as
All: chosen, blessed, broken and given to be love in the world.

Hymn of Praise¹

Here I Am, Lord

UMH #593

Verse 1 and Refrain:

**I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard My people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin,
My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.**

Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?
Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

Verse 3 and Refrain:

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them,
My hand will save
Finest bread I will provide,
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them,
Whom shall I send?
Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.



Opening Prayer

God of grace and healing,
In this time of uncertainty and chaos,
Help us remember that we are your beloved children.
Remind us that not only did you send your son
Jesus into this world,
But you send each one of us, too.
May we live our lives
as one unceasing yes to You,
bringing healing, unity, love, peace, and hope
through the presence of your Spirit
wherever you send us. Amen.

Prayers

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

**God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul.
Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding
that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.**

Scripture

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

NRSV

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for^[a] you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵ In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

John 13:3-5, 12-17, 33-35

And during supper ³ Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴ got up from the table, ^[a] took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵ Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him.

¹² After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you?" ¹³ You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴ So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶ Very truly, I tell you, servants^[d] are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷ If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

³³ Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Pastor Michelle Mejia



WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Giving of our Gifts *If you haven't already done so, we hope you'll share your gifts.

Music Ministry

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Lemmel

Bev Babcock - Pianist

Doxology²

Tune: Old 100th

**Praise God throughout these forty days.
Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.
And praise the Spirit who imparts
God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen**

Hymn of Service³

Let Us Break Bread Together

UMH #618

Verse 1: Let us break bread together on our knees,
let us break bread together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Verse 3: Let us praise God together on our knees,
let us praise God together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Comfort Food Love Feast

We invite you to use this time to bring something to eat or refresh your coffee and come back. Whatever "comfort food" you will be partaking in for our virtual feast, we invite you to take a photo and send it to revmichelle@uumcp.org or upload it in the chat/comments section if you are joining us on Facebook.



**Be present at our table, Lord.
Be here and everywhere adored.
Thy creatures bless,
and grant that we
may feast in paradise with thee.
Amen.**

Blessing

Holy Comforter,
We gather in your name
invited by Jesus
bound together with your Spirit
in union with each other.
Feed our bodies and our spirits
with your comforting presence
so that we might be your comfort to others.
Bless this food
and break open our hearts.
Bless this drink
and pour out your love. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Blessing

Postlude

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (UMH #731)

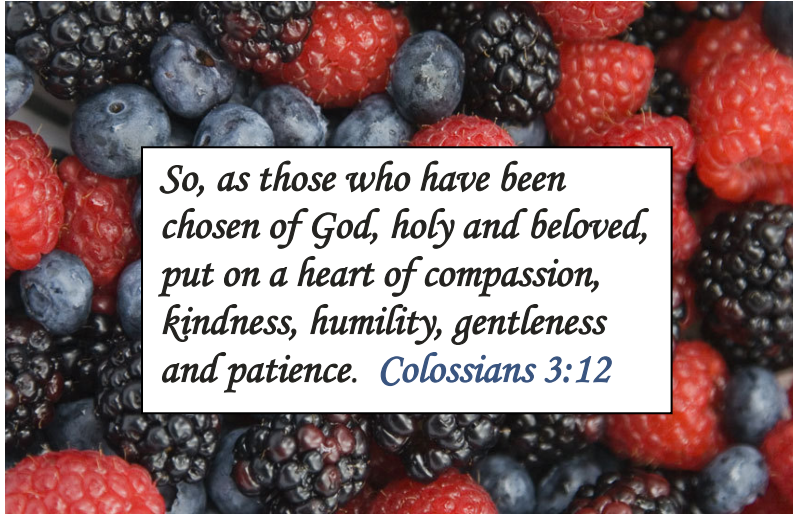
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**To share your offering, you may use this link: <https://www.uumcp.org/electronic-giving>*

Another option is to mail your offering to the church office:

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*So, as those who have been
chosen of God, holy and beloved,
put on a heart of compassion,
kindness, humility, gentleness
and patience. Colossians 3:12*

Announcements – March 29, 2020

SPREAD THE WORD Let your friends, family, and coworkers know that we are offering live streamed services on Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. The service can be accessed through our website: www.uumcp.org

CLOSED DOORS Our building is closed until further notice. Instead of stopping by, please call or email the church office if you need anything. office@uumcp.org

PRAYER LINE Perhaps you have heard that we have a “prayer line” for our church. What is it? It is a way of sharing prayer requests, joys, and concerns with others. When you post a request, you may be sure others are adding yours to their daily prayers. If you would like to be one who prays for others when requests are made, please contact the church office to be included in this google prayer group.

WEDNESDAY PRAYERS Join Pastor Michelle and members of your church family in a time of sharing prayers on Wednesdays at noon, via a conference call. The phone number will be emailed to you prior to the meeting time. If you attempted to join us last week, but had difficulties, please contact the church office. office@uumcp.org

RUMMAGE SALE INFO Our spring rummage sale has been cancelled. We will keep you posted about new dates, whether it's later in spring, or if we need to wait until our usual October rummage sale. Please do NOT bring items to church now. It would be helpful if you would keep your donations at home until closer to the time of our sale. Thank you!

HELP OFFER If you need help with anything – prayers, getting food or medicine, rides to a doctor, or... Please let the church office know. We will do our best to help you!

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