



ROOTED IN THE PAST • GROWING FOR THE FUTURE



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PRELUDE / COUNTDOWN

WELCOME /
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor

WELCOME OF
GUEST

Pastor

PASSING THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

Liturgist: Creating God, we praise you for your word

Congregation: Which called the universe into being;

Liturgist: And for your spirit

Congregation: Which breathed life into your human creation, made in your image.

Liturgist: We praise you that in your love

Congregation: You seek to embrace us in our brokenness;

Liturgist: That while your only Son was handed over to death,

Congregation: You raised him to life,

Liturgist: A new creation by which you recreate each of us

Congregation: As we believe in hope, and accept in faith.

Liturgist: Source of life, Word of life, Breath of life,

Congregation: We worship you. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

To God Be the Glory (v. 1-3)

UMH #98

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene

Creed

Liturgist

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all

things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*GLORIA

PATRI

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OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 15:5-6 (NKJV)

Liturgist

Then He brought him outside and said, "Look now toward heaven, and count the stars if you are able to number them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be."⁶ And he believed in the LORD, and He accounted it to him for righteousness.

Liturgist: This is the word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S

SERMON

Pastor

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

Dear God, help us, like Abraham, trust You fully and have faith that You will provide. In Jesus' name, Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Romans 4:3, 11-12
(NKJV) Liturgist

³ For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness..." ¹¹ And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which *he had while still* uncircumcised, that he might be the father of all those who believe, though they are uncircumcised, that righteousness might be imputed to them also, ¹² and the father of circumcision to those who not only *are* of the circumcision, but who also walk in the steps of the faith which our father Abraham *had while still* uncircumcised.

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MISSION MOMENT

PRESENTATION OF PRAYERS AND
PRAISE

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Prayer cards are on the information table. If you have a prayer that you would like to share with the congregation, please fill out the card and pass it toward the center aisle of the congregation as we are singing the Hymn of Preparation. The pastor will collect during song and pray over cards at the chancel rail.

HYMN OF PREPARATION
UMH #707

Hymn of Promise (v. 1-3)

PASTORAL
PRAYER
Pastor

* Please stand as you are able.

SERMON

Pastor

Title: Beginnings
Theme: Covenant

Main Question: How can I be part of what God is doing in this world?

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND SACRIFICES (Celebrating our Gifts)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of wisdom and all good gifts: We bring our tithes and offerings to your altar, remembering that, like Abraham, you have blessed us to be a blessing to others. Remind us this morning that the gift of freedom that comes to Christ is also a gift not to be kept but to be shared. Even as the world asserts that freedom is a ticket to “go our own way,” you made us free to be part of Christ’s body in the world, connected and interdependent. May the way we live and the way we give reflect that kind of freedom. In Christ’s blessed name, we pray. Amen.

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND SACRIFICES

*DOXOLOGY
Blessings

*Praise God, From Whom All
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COMMUNION HYMN
UMH #348

Softly and Tenderly (v. 1-4)

HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN OF CELEBRATION
4) UMH #462

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus (v. 1-

*BENEDICTION
Pastor

The Aaronic Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace...and all of God’s Children said...Amen

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE
Fellowship

*Love and
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