



Living Traditions:
Tradition, Scripture, the Holy Spirit and Christ
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PRELUDE / COUNTDOWN
WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS
WELCOME OF GUEST
PASSING THE PEACE

Rev. Kerry Foote
Rev. Kerry Foote Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

Liturgist: We have gathered once again, Lord of all and Lord of us.

Congregation: We come to lift our prayers, and to sing your praises once again.

Liturgist: We come to ask and hope and long to see your justice in the land.

Congregation: We worship in that hope and will work in that Spirit.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Rejoice, the Lord is King (v. 1-4)

UMH #715

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Liturgist

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; He descended into hell and 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 catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

UMH #70

NEW TESTAMENT READING: 2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NKJV)

Liturgist

¹⁶All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, ¹⁷that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

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

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rev. Kerry Foote

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

We thank you, Lord, for your special directions for our lives. Help us to read the Bible often so we know how to make good choices. In Jesus Name we pray, Amen.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 7:8-9 (NKJV)

Liturgist

⁸For laying aside the commandment of God, you hold the tradition of men—the washing of pitchers and cups, and many other such things you do.” ⁹He said to them, “*All too well you reject the commandment of God, that you may keep your tradition.*”

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MISSION MOMENT

Rev. Kerry Foote

PRESENTATION OF PRAYERS AND PRAISE

Rev. Kerry Foote

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 them during the hymn and pray over cards at the chancel rail.

HYMN OF PREPARATION

His Eye is On the Sparrow (v. 1-3)

CEL #624

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Kerry Foote

SERMON

Title: Living Traditions

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Theme: Tradition, Scripture, the Holy Spirit and Christ.

Main Idea: Traditions can be powerful tools for spiritual growth when they point us to God, but they must never replace or overshadow the true source of our faith.

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND SACRIFICES (Celebrating Our Gifts)

Rev. Kerry Foote

OFFERTORY PRAYER

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings

UMH #95

*HYMN OF CELEBRATION

His Name is Wonderful

UMH #174

*COMMISSION & BENEDICTION

The Aaronic Blessing

Rev. Kerry Foote

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace. **Amen**

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Love and Fellowship

See screens.

POSTLUDE

**Please stand as you are able.*