



What's Love Got to Do with It: The Love of God
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PRELUDE / COUNTDOWN

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

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WELCOMING OF GUESTS

PASSING THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

(Inspired by John 13:34-35; 1 John 4:7)

Liturgist: Come with what you have. For you who grieve this day know that you are invited to bring the broken pieces of your heart.

Congregation: Loved by one another, we discover God's love for us.

Liturgist: Come with what you have. For you who come with gladness know that your melody will find harmony.

Congregation: Accepting God's love for us, we are called to love one another.

Liturgist: Come with what you have. For you weighed down by too many 'shoulds' and 'what-ifs' know that here you may lay down the burdens of guilt and shame.

Congregation: Loved by one another, we discover God's love for us.

Liturgist: Come with what you have. For you who have the answers, know that new questions await you.

Congregation: Accepting God's love for us, we are called to love one another.

Liturgist: Come with what you have. For you who come seeking, know that your questions are safe in the presence of God.

Congregation: Loved by one another, we discover God's love for us.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

I Stand Amazed (v. 1-5)

UMH #371

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Modern Affirmation

Liturgist

We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.

We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

UMH #70

NEW TESTAMENT READING: 1 Corinthians 13:1-8 (NKJV)

The Greatest Gift

Liturgist

13 Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. 2 And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 3 And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing. 4 Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; 5 does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; 6 does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; 7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8 Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away.

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, thank you for loving us so deeply. Please help us to love others as you love us. Amen

NEW TESTAMENT READING: 1 John 4:7-8 (NKJV)

Liturgist

7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8 He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

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

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

MISSION MOMENT

PRESENTATION OF PRAYERS AND PRAISE

Pastor

Prayer cards are on the information table. If you have a prayer request that you would like to share with the congregation, please fill out a card and pass it toward the center aisle 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

Breathe on Me, Breath of God (v. 1-4)

UMH # 420

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor

SERMON

Title: What's Love Got To Do With It

Theme: The Love of God

Main Idea: What we're craving and longing for is God Himself, because God is love. Love is who He is.

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND SACRIFICES (Celebrating our Gifts)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Gracious God, source of all love, as we present our gifts to you, remind us of the profound truth that "love comes from you, and everyone who loves is born of you and knows you." May these offerings be a reflection of our love for you and for one another, inspired by your perfect love that casts out fear. Help us to give joyfully, and to live each day sharing your love with the world. Amen.

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings

UMH #95

*HYMN OF CELEBRATION

They'll Know We are Christians (v. 1-4)

CEL #429

*COMMISSION / BENECTION

Pastor

(Based on John 15:1-8, 1 John 4:7-21)

Go now, and love one another, because love is from God. Proclaim God's salvation to every generation. Remain in Jesus Christ, and like branches of a vine, draw your life from him. And may God the vine grower tend you and make you fruitful; May Christ Jesus abide in you and give you life; And may the Holy Spirit cast out all fear and fill you with God's love

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Love and Fellowship

See screen

POSTLUDE

**Please stand as you are able*

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in memory of Donnie Dampier, whose
birthday was on February 13th,
by his parents, Gail & Don Dampier.*