



True Love is a Verb: What's Love Got to Do with It  
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PRELUDE / COUNTDOWN

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

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WELCOMING OF GUESTS

PASSING THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

(Inspired by Micah 6:6-8)

*Liturgist: With what shall we come before the Lord? What shall we bring into the presence of our God, as an expression of our worship and praise?*

**Congregation: Shall we bring him all that we own—our finest possessions, our life-savings, our investments and property? Would God be satisfied if we brought everything we possess?**

*Liturgist: No, that's not what God is looking for. God has told you what is good, and what he expects of you:*

**Congregation: To do justice. To love mercy. To walk humbly before him.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

*Just a Closer Walk (v. 1-3)*

CEL #564

\*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; 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

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Micah 6:8 (NKJV)

Liturgist

8 He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the Lord require of you But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?

*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. Your love never fails. Help us to love others the way you love us. In Jesus' name, Amen**

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

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. 9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part. 10 But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away.

11 When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. 12 For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.

13 And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

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## 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

The Gift of Love (v. 1-3)

UMH # 408

### PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor

### SERMON

PastorTitle: What's Love

Got to Do with It?

Theme: True Love is a Verb

Main Idea: The message emphasizes that love is more than just a feeling—it is a call to kindness, sacrifice, and genuine care for others.

### RECEIVING OF TITHES AND SACRIFICES (Celebrating our Gifts)

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Gracious God, as we bring our gifts before You today, we remember the words from 1 Corinthians 13: that without love, our actions and offerings are empty. Fill our hearts with true love—love that is patient and kind, that seeks truth and rejoices in Your goodness. May these gifts be given not out of duty or obligation, but as a reflection of our love for You and for one another. Use what we offer to spread Your compassion and grace in our community and beyond. Let love be the foundation of all we do, so that our giving becomes an act of worship, pleasing in Your sight. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

#### COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

##### \*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, From Whom All Blessings*

UMH #95

##### \*HYMN OF CELEBRATION

*Great is thy Faithfulness (v. 1-3)*

UMH #140

##### \*COMMISION / BENEDICTION

Pastor

(Based on 1 Corinthians 13)

May the love that is patient and kind, the love that bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things, go with you as you leave this place. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the unfailing love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit empower you to walk in love, today and always...and all of God's children said...Amen.

##### \*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*Love and Fellowship*

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#### POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand as you are able.*