

Memorial United Methodist Church At-Home Worship, Sunday, June 14, 2020
Welcome to Worship with Memorial United Methodist Church, wherever you are!

Music to Center Ourselves: *I Am A Poor Wayfaring Stranger* (Page)

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Praise Song: *“Open the Eyes of My Heart”* W&S 3008

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, I want to see you ... pour out your power and your love as we sing. Holy, holy, holy.

“Open the Eyes of My Heart,” words and music by Paul Baloche

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Opening Prayer UMBOW 466

Joy Jorgensen

God our Mother and Father, we come to you as children.

Be with us as we learn to see one another with new eyes,

hear one another with new hearts,

and treat one another in a new way. **Amen.** From “Celebrating Together” © 1987 Corrymeela Press

Praise Song: *“Open Our Eyes, Lord”* TFWS 2086

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

“Open My Eyes,” words and music by Bob Cull

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Sharing from Psalm 146

Praise the Lord! Let my whole being praise the Lord!

I will praise the Lord with all my life;

I will sing praises to my God as long as I live.

Don't trust leaders; don't trust any human beings—there's no saving help with them!

Their breath leaves them, then they go back to the ground. On that very same day, their plans die too.

The person whose help is the God of Jacob—the person whose hope rests on the Lord their God— is truly happy!

God: the maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them,

God: who is faithful forever, who gives justice to people who are oppressed, who gives bread to people who are starving!

The Lord: who frees prisoners. The Lord: who makes the blind see.

The Lord: who straightens up those who are bent low.

The Lord: who loves the righteous.

The Lord: who protects immigrants, who helps orphans and widows, but who makes the way of the wicked twist and turn!

The Lord will rule forever!

Zion, your God will rule from one generation to the next!

Praise the Lord!

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Praise Song: *“Sanctuary”* TFWS 2164

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

“Sanctuary,” words and music by John Thompson and Randy Scruggs

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Sharing from the Gospel: Matthew 25:25:34-40

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“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left.

Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’

Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’

And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’

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Message for Today: “Joy and the Practice of Hospitality”

Pastor Cathy Rafferty

Sung Response: “*Jesu, Jesu*” UMH 432, verses 2,3

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you. ...

Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white, neighbors are near and far away.

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We Go, Blessed to Serve

Song of Sending: “*Soon and Very Soon*” UMH 706

Blessing

May we go from our worship with our eyes open to seeing Jesus in everyone we meet, welcoming the stranger with God’s Spirit of hospitality, ready for the joy of God’s beloved kingdom to break through into every moment of our lives. **Amen.**

Song of Sending: “*Soon and Very Soon*” UMH 706, verse 1

Music for Going Forth: *Postlude on “Joyful Song”*

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