

# Welcome to Worship with Memorial United Methodist Church

Sunday, Jan. 17, 2021, Worship Guide

(On-line Worship Video available any time after 8:30 a.m. Sunday, [www.gladstonechurch.org](http://www.gladstonechurch.org))

## We Gather to Worship God

**Song of Praise: “Honor and Praise”** TFWS 2018

Praise Team

Righteous and holy in all of your ways; we come before you with honor and praise. Here to adore you for all of our days, we come before you with honor and praise. Lord of the heavens, how faithful you are. Shine down upon us, O bright Morning Star. Righteous and holy in all of your ways; we come before you with honor and praise.

Filling the temple, the work of your grace; we come before you with honor and praise.

Here to adore you for all of our days, we come before you with honor and praise. Lord of the heavens, how faithful you are. Rise in our spirits, O bright Morning Star. Righteous and holy in all of your ways; we come before you with honor and praise.

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## Call to Worship

Holy God, we come to worship hoping you will hear us, grateful you are with us.

**Gracious God, we come to worship longing to hear you, speaking to us.**

Call us by name in troubling times, remind us we are yours.

**Open our ears to your truth. Give our lives your purpose and meaning.**

Even when your word is hard for us to hear, harder still for us to speak and to act upon,

**Help us to trust in your grace, your justice, and your steadfast love.**

**Help us to listen to one another without fear,**

**knowing we learn from you through each other.**

As we hear your word in worship, may we help one another together to live it.

**Holy God, we come to worship you, and we come to hear you speak to us.**

**Sung Response: “God Is Speaking”** W&S 3025, vv. 1,2

Praise Team

God is speaking. God is speaking. Do you hear? Do you hear? Trust and you will hear God.

Trust and you will hear God. God is love. God is love.

God is speaking, always speaking using needs, using joys, speaking in his wisdom, speaking in his mercy, calling hearts, changing lives.

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## We Share the Story of God

**Sharing from the First Book of Samuel 3:1-20**

Joy Jorgensen

<sup>8-9</sup> God called again, “Samuel!”—the third time! Yet again Samuel got up and went to Eli, “Yes? I heard you call me. Here I am.”

That’s when it dawned on Eli that God was calling the boy. So Eli directed Samuel, “Go back and lie down. If the voice calls again, say, ‘Speak, God. I’m your servant, ready to listen.’” Samuel returned to his bed.

<sup>10</sup> Then God came and stood before him exactly as before, calling out, “Samuel! Samuel!” Samuel answered, “Speak. I’m your servant, ready to listen.” 1 Samuel 3:1-10, from *The Message*.

**Sung Response: “God Is Speaking”** W&S 3025, v. 3

Praise Team

God is speaking. God is speaking. Do you hear, hear God’s heart? Trust and you will hear God if you want to hear God. God is love, always love.

**We Respond to God**

**Sung Response: “Lord Speak to Me”** UMH 463, vv. 1-4

Lord speak to me, that I might speak in living echoes of thy tone; as thou hast sought, so let me seek thine erring children lost and lone.

O strengthen me, that while I stand firm on the rock, and strong in thee, I may stretch out a loving hand to wrestlers with the troubled sea.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the precious things thou dost impart; and wing my words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.

O fill me with thy fullness, Lord, until my very heart o’erflow in kindling thought and glowing word, thy love to tell, thy praise to show.

O use me, Lord, use even me, just as thou wilt, and when, and where, until thy blessed face I see, thy rest, thy joy, thy glory share.

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**Offering Our Prayers and The Lord’s Prayer**

Please email prayer requests to [mumc@gladstonechurch.org](mailto:mumc@gladstonechurch.org) or call (906) 428-9311

**We Go, Blessed to Serve**

**Blessing:** May we all be listening for God to speak, ready to live so God can use us—in the name of God who creates us, Jesus who reconciles us, and Spirit who energizes us. Amen.

**Sung Response: “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”** TFWS 2153

Praise Team

I’m gonna live so God can use me, anywhere, Lord, anytime! (repeat)

I’m gonna work so God can use me, anywhere, Lord, anytime! (repeat)

I’m gonna pray so God can use me, anywhere, Lord anytime! (repeat)

I’m gonna sing so God can use me, anywhere, Lord anytime! (repeat)

Words & Music: African American Spiritual.

*What are you gonna do so God can use you today?*

W&S (Worship & Song), TFWS (The Faith We Sing), UMH (United Methodist Hymnal), UMBOW (United Methodist Book of Worship).