

Cross Lanes United Methodist Church
Order of Worship
Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

Sunday, February 4, 2024

GATHERING

Prelude:

Whether you are joining us in person or on-line, know that we are here to journey along with you as you grow in love of God and neighbor, and as a follower of Jesus Christ.

Opening Hymn: The Lord's Prayer

***Prayer of Confession**

Lord, today we confess that we often live as those who have never heard of you. We plan and strategize as though the outcome depended solely upon us.

We worry and fret like those who have no advocate. Forgive us Lord, for the scheming and conniving we do to make sure that we have our own way.

Forgive us Lord, for grasping at power when you are the Power, for seeking glory when all glory belongs to you, for not leaning upon you when we feel weak, or powerless or alone.

Forgive us Lord, for relying upon ourselves and other mortals when we should turn to you. Teach us how to live more like those who belong to you and less like those who belong to the world.

Words of Assurance:

Hear some good news! The prophet Isaiah says this: "Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint"

(Isaiah 40:30-31)

People of God, trust in the Lord and be strengthened!

All: Trust in the Lord and be strengthened. Amen.



***Hymn: Take Time to be Holy UMH 395**

Word for Children

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 40:21-31

ANTHEM: Waiting on the World to Change

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 1:29-39 Common English Bible

SERMON Rev. Deborah Coble

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MISSION AND MINISTRY MOMENT

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

As forgiven and reconciled people,
Let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

Offertory: Open the Eyes of My Heart

***Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION UMH p 12

The Lord's Prayer: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is open to all who love God and seek to be at peace with their neighbor. You will be invited by our ushers to the communion station. Feel free to spend time in prayer at the altar rail or prayer wall.

Prayer after Receiving Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Closing Hymn of Praise: On Eagle's Wings UMH 143**

*** GOING FORTH**

POSTLUDE

**** Please stand as you are able***

We are so glad to welcome you to worship with Cross Lanes United Methodist Church!

We celebrate the ways that God is working in your life. If you are curious about baptism or membership in The United Methodist Church, please reach out to Pastor Deborah to schedule a time for further conversation.

Learn more about Cross Lanes UMC online at: crosslanesumc.org

If you have any other questions, please call the church office:
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