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## ***FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH***

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### **WORSHIP SERVICE**

10:30 am Traditional

### **ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE**

[www.facebook.com/fumctaylor](https://www.facebook.com/fumctaylor)

<https://www.fumctaylor.org/sunday-worship-service/>  
[YouTube](#)

### **PRAYER, DEVOTION, JOYS AND CONCERNS**

9:30 am via [ZOOM](#)

Meeting ID: 982-9669-2304

Phone# 346-248-7799

September 6, 2020 –10:30 A.M.

# First United Methodist Church

*Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.*

September 6, 2020 – 10:30 A.M.

Welcome! Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. Whether you are a first-time visitor or long-time member, we're glad you are here.

(\* Stand, if able.)

## **GATHER IN ANTICIPATION & PRAISE OF GOD**

### **OPENING VOLUNTARY**

"Father, We Thank Thee"

Charles Callahan

### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Respond in Bold)**

Liturgist

L: Shout praise to God!

**P: Let us praise God with music and great joy!**

L: God looks upon us with favor.

**P: God rejoices in our loving compassion for others.**

L: Thanks be to God who offers to us new life.

**P: Praise be to Jesus Christ who taught us how to live. Amen.**

### **\*OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)**

Liturgist

Lord, we come this day to worship and thank you for the many ways you guide our lives. We ask that our hearts, our ears, and our spirits may be open to your healing words of love. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

### **\*HYMN**

"He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought"

UMH # 128

### **CHILDREN'S TIME**

### **\*HYMN**

"Go Down, Moses" vs. 1-5

UMH # 448

### **JOYS & CONCERNS** *(Currently shared during Zoom gathering at 9:30 a.m.)*

### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

Rev. Sela Finau

The Lord's Prayer

"Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on 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"

### **INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

Liturgist

Gifted with the grace of God, and clothed with power from on high, let us now offer ourselves to the building of God's kingdom.

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Liturgist

Our God and our Deliverer, as you protected the Israelites in their times of trials, brought them out of Egypt and led them through the wilderness, so you have guided and protected us in our time of trials, anxiety, and uncertainty. In our bringing of our offering today, we remember that in the first Passover, it was the act of an offering that identified households your people, protected by you. We give these gifts in thanksgiving for your care for us, in hope for your continued presence, and as a sign of our desire to follow. In our Savior's name, we pray. Amen.

## **\*DOXOLOGY**

UMH #95

Praise God from whom all blessing flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men

## **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** UMH #881

Liturgist

## **\*GLORY PATRI**

UMH#70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Liturgist

Merciful Lord, we like to think that we do everything well. We pat ourselves on the back when we act with love and mercy toward others, complimenting ourselves in self-righteousness. But you know us better. You know our faults and our failings. You know when we falsely proclaim that we are truly living as you would have us live. Teach us again about your forgiving and healing love. Show us ways of merciful living that we may extend the love and mercy you have given us to others. Forgive us, we pray. For we ask these things in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Liturgist

Rejoice! You are loved by God who judges your failures and heals your hearts and spirits. In Jesus' Name, we all are forgiven and healed. Amen.

## **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

### **SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Exodus 12:1-14

Liturgist

### **SERMON**

"Pass-Over"

Rev. Sela Finau

## **SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

### **INVITATION**

Everyone is invited to the Lord's Table. Whether you are physically present with us this morning or joining us from your home, the virtual presence of Christ is with us, and is the host. If you received an individual communion wafer and juice set, you may open it at this time by peeling off the first layer and take hold of the wafer (body of Christ). And then open the juice (blood of Christ). If you prepared your own elements, you may now access them. When it's time to receive the bread and cup, you may receive them in your seats or you may come and kneel at the communion rails keeping social distance unless you're from the same household. If you did not receive communion elements when you entered, please notify an usher.

### **RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*HYMN OF INVITATION** "Just As I Am, Without One Plea"

UMH # 357

**\*BENEDICTION**

Rev. Sela Finau

**\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

"Fanfare"

Herbert Colvin

UMH (The United Methodist Hymnal) the red hymnal.

*Communion Offering will go to our Benevolence Fund.*

### **Ways you can give:**

1. Contact your bank to setup autodraft.
2. Mail a check to FUMC, P.O. Box 530, Taylor, Texas 76574.
3. Give online at [www.fumctaylor.org/give](http://www.fumctaylor.org/give).

### **WORSHIP LEADERS**

Rev. Sela Finau, Pastor

Debby Vester, Organist & Director of Music Ministry

Tiffany Charles, Children's Time

Tiffany Charles, Liturgist

### **HOW TO JOIN FUMC TAYLOR**

Are you being led to become a part of this fellowship of believers? Do you desire to grow in the likeness of Jesus Christ? We invite you to join as a full member of the FUMC family! While the closing hymn is sung, you may rise and make a commitment to follow Jesus through his local body of FUMC Taylor in prayer, presence, gifts, service and witness. Please also send us a message to [office@fumctaylor.org](mailto:office@fumctaylor.org).

For Pastoral emergencies, outside of office hours, please contact Rev. Finau at 817-874-3533.

Call to Worship, Opening Prayer, Prayer of Confession, Words of Assurance, Offertory Prayer credit to Ministry Matters and UMC Discipleship.

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