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Wisdom from the Beatitudes of Jesus

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WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30 am Traditional

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First United Methodist Church

Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.

February 20, 2022 – 10:30 A.M.

Welcome! Thank you for worshiping with us this morning. Whether you are a first-time visitor or long-time member, we're glad you are here. (*Stand, if able.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Respond in Bold)

Liturgist

L: Rejoice, for the power of God has come—

P: The same transforming power encountered in the risen Christ:

L: Promising to the poor the realm of heaven;

P: Promising to the hungry a time of satisfaction;

L: Promising to the weeping a life of happiness;

P: Promising to the reviled the gift of acceptance.

A: Rejoice, O people of God, the transforming power of Christ is here!

*OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

Liturgist

O Christ, whom even crucifixion could not separate from either the love or the power of God, bless us, the members of your body, with the guidance of your spirit, that we might seek God with your singleness of mind, see God with your clarity of understanding, and worship God with your purity of heart.

*HYMN

“Blessed Assurance”

UMH # 369

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”

CHILDREN'S TIME

Tiffany Charles

*HYMN

“Jesus Calls Us o'er the Tumult”

UMH # 398

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Liturgist

Holy God of light and life that overcomes darkness and death: as we offer our tithes and offerings to you this morning, we pray that we may give the confidence and assurance of those fully convinced in our promise of Resurrection! Help us to experience our generosity as those who have no need to hold back or hedge our bets. May we live our days giving freely with love and grace, not as those who have the hope of salvation, but the promise! In Christ, we pray. Amen.

***DOXOLOGY**

UMH #95

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. A-men.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

UMH #881

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; 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

***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

O Christ, compel us to reexamine the standards by which we judge—
The values we condone, the values by which we condemn
You pronounce blessings upon the poor and the hungry;
If you be for them, shall we dare be against them?
You pronounce blessings upon the weeping and the forsaken;
If you be for them, shall we dare be against them?
You pronounce woes upon the greedy and the pretentious;
If you be against them, shall we dare be for them?
You pronounce doom upon the proud and the deceitful;
If you be against them, shall we dare be for them?
O Christ, inspire us to embrace the standards by which you judge—
The values by which you favor, the values by which you forgive!

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Liturgist

God looks at us in our brokenness, and offers blessings to all who turn to the Lord. With the assurance of God's faithful love, choose this day to be people of blessing.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE

Luke 6:17-26

Liturgist

SERMON

"#blessed"

Rev. Sela Finau

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

***HYMN OF INVITATION** "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

UMH # 402

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Sela Finau

UMH (The United Methodist Hymnal – red hymnal)

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Sela Finau, Pastor

Debby Vester, Organist & Director of Music Ministry

Tiffany Charles, Director of Children's Ministry & Mother's Day Out

Brian Gray, 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 come forward 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.

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

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