



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30 am Traditional

First United Methodist Church

Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.

February 25, 2024 – 10:30 A.M.

You have come here with needs and expectations. We hope that your needs and expectations are met through the songs and prayers and message and Fellowship!

“Come close to God and He will come near to you.” James 4:8

(Stand, if able.)*

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist

CALL TO WORSHIP: *(Respond in Bold)*

Liturgist: Rejoice in the Lord always!

People: Our joy is in the Lord who blesses us.

L: Shout for joy, for the Lord is Here!

P: Our praises ascend to God for the mighty things God has done.

L: Let your praise dance and swirl in tribute to God!

P: Come, Living God, fill our hearts with Joy. Amen

*OPENING HYMN

“Because He Lives”

See Insert

(Verses 1 – 3)

*OPENING PRAYER *(In unison)*

Liturgist

Spirit of God, we long to be open to your presence in this place.

Come into our hearts and let your healing and peace flow in.

O Lord, help us to let go of the things that harm our spirits and diminish our souls. Please ease our fears, confirm our hopes, bless our hearts with your loving presence. Bind us together in love, to be healed, to learn, and to grow. AMEN.

SHARING GREETINGS *(Please greet someone that you do not know.)*

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Tiffany Charles

*CALL TO PRAYER HYMN

“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

UMH # 496

(verses 1 – 3; interlude between verses 2 and 3)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER IN SONG

*(Our prayer rises to heaven, to the mystery of God's power,
as the smoke ascends when the precious incense burns)*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

"You Are My All in All"

Anna Wicker & Choir

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH # 95

SCRIPTURE READING

James 1:5

Liturgist

"If any of you needs wisdom, you should ask God for it. God will give you wisdom.... "

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

(all verses)

TFWS # 2171

MESSAGE

"Why Is Wisdom So Important"

Pastor Yohan Baek

SERMON NOTES

Note 1: Proverbs 4:7

"Getting wisdom is **the most important thing** you can do."

Proverbs 8:11

"Wisdom is more precious than rubies.

Note 2: Proverbs 3:16-18

"Wisdom offers you **long life**, as well as wealth and honor.

Wisdom can make your life pleasant...

Wisdom can lead you **safely** through life.

Those who become wise are **happy**..."

Note 3: Proverbs 9:11

"Wisdom will multiply your days and add years to your life."

Note 4: God made us all different. People think differently.

People feel differently. People behave differently.

What do we need to relate well with other people?

Note 5: James 3:17

"The wisdom that comes from heaven is pure, peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere."

Note 6: **All relationships are built on TRUST.**

Note 7: The word "submissive" means **not stubborn**.

Note 8: Proverbs 12:15 "A wise person listens to others."

Note 9: If I am wise, I will not hide my own weaknesses.

I let people know where I am growing and where I am struggling.
This will improve my relationships SO MUCH!

***HYMN OF INVITATION**

"Lead Me, Lord"

See Insert

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Yohan Baek

***POSTLUDE**

Jeeyoung Baek

UMH (The United Methodist Hymnal – red hymnal)

TFWS (The Faith We Sing – black hymnal)

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Yohan Baek, Pastor

Jeeyoung Baek, Pianist

Anna Wicker, Violinist

Brian Gray, Liturgist

Tiffany Charles, Director of Childrens' Ministries and MDO

Julia Coward, Nursery Director & Children's Church

Robert & Tenny Swonke, Greeters

Jim Curik and Glynn Tucker, Ushers

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

We envision a church where people build a relationship
with God and each other.

Relationships transform everything!

*Please join us for lunch in the Fellowship Hall following the
worship service today.*