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

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### **WORSHIP SERVICE**

**10:30 am Traditional**

# First United Methodist Church

*Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.*

March 17, 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, prayers, 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: Joy fills our lives, when we center our lives on Jesus Christ.

**People: Hope fills our hearts, when we focus on our Savior.**

L: Comfort fills our spirits, when we believe in the Lord.

**P: Peace fills our souls, when we seek to do God’s Work.**

**Come, let us celebrate and praise our Lord!**

**\*OPENING HYMN**      “O Happy Day, That Fixed My Choice”      UMH # 391  
*(Verses 1 – 3; interlude between verses 2 and 3)*

**\*OPENING PRAYER** *(In unison)*      Liturgist  
O God, we have gathered here in your name, believing that you are not only among us, but that you love us. O God, we thank you that we are not alone. You watch over us, guide us, and lead us in your righteous pathways. O Lord, when we doubt, you surround us with your mercy and peace, reassuring us of your presence through the love of others and of our savior Jesus Christ. O Lord, 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**      “I Surrender All ”      UMH # 354  
*(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)*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER IN SONG**

*Music sheet provided in the pew*

### **OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

#### **OFFERTORY**

"What God Can Do"

Choir

#### **\*DOXOLOGY**

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH # 95

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Job 1:20-21

Liturgist

"...Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship and said: "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked I will depart. The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; may the name of the Lord be praised." In all this, Job did not sin by charging God with wrongdoing."

#### **\*HYMN OF PREPARATION**

"This Is My Song"

UMH # 437

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

#### **MESSAGE**

"When Bad Things Happen..."

Pastor Yohan Baek

#### **SERMON NOTES**

Note 1: Why do bad things happen to good people?

Nowhere in the Bible does the Bible ever try to explain this question.

Note 2: Satan replied, "God, you have blessed everything Job does.

You have always protected him and his family. But if you take away everything he has, he will curse you to your face."

Note 3: **God never causes pain or evil.**

Note 4: Isaiah 55:8

"My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways."

Note 5: 1 Chronicles 16:11

"Go to the Lord for help, and worship him continually."

Hebrews 12: 28

“...let us worship God with reverence and awe,  
since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken.”

Note 6: **It is in our darkest hour that we need most to worship God.**  
It is in the crisis, in the confusion, that we need most to focus on God.”

**\*HYMN OF INVITATION** “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” UMH # 302  
(verses 1 – 4)

**\*CLOSING PRAYER** (*in unison*)

**Lord, help us this week to number our days not by fretting about how many we will have, but by pausing often to look for the goodness in our life. Let our lives show your love and grace so that many people who need you may find you! Amen.**

**\*BENEDICTION** Pastor Yohan Baek

**\*POSTLUDE** Jeeyoung Baek

*UMH (The United Methodist Hymnal – red hymnal)*

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

Rev. Yohan Baek, Pastor

Jeeyoung Baek, Pianist

Brian Gray, Liturgist

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**OUR MISSION STATEMENT:**

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

Relationships transform everything!