

# the open door ~ praise & worship service ...in a religion born in a barn, an open door goes without saying 10.10.18 • 7:00 pm

#### **Welcome & Announcements**

Song: "All about You"

Song: "Come Ye Sinners"

**Gospel Reading** 

Mark 10:13-16 [NRSV, CEV, VOICE)

Joe Tigner

#### Jesus Blesses Little Children (NRSV)

<sup>13</sup> People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. <sup>14</sup> But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. <sup>15</sup> Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." <sup>16</sup> And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

### Jesus Blesses Little Children (CEV)

<sup>13</sup> Some people brought their children to Jesus so that he could bless them by placing his hands on them. But his disciples told the people to stop bothering him.

<sup>14</sup> When Jesus saw this, he became angry and said, "Let the children come to me! Don't try to stop them. People who are like these little children belong to the kingdom of God.<sup>[b]</sup> <sup>15</sup> I promise you that you cannot get into God's kingdom, unless you accept it the way a child does." <sup>16</sup> Then Jesus took the children in his arms and blessed them by placing his hands on them.

### The Voice (VOICE)

<sup>13</sup> When the crowd gathered again, the people brought their children to see Jesus, hoping that He might grant them His blessing through His touch.

His disciples turned them all away; <sup>14</sup> but when Jesus saw this, He was incensed.

**Jesus** (to the disciples): Let the children come to Me, and don't ever stand in their way, for this is what the kingdom of God is all about. <sup>15</sup> Truly anyone who doesn't accept the kingdom of God as a little child does can never enter it.

<sup>16</sup> Jesus gathered the children in His arms, and He laid His hands on them to bless them.

The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

## Wesleyan Band

## Offering

Anthem "God of All Creation"

Song "God of Wonders"

Song: "Hallelujah Your Love Is Amazing"

**Benediction & Passing the Peace** 

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