



the open door ~ praise & worship service
...in a religion born in a barn, an open door goes without saying
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Welcome & Announcements

Song: "Here I Am to Worship"

Centering Quote [by Peggy Corpeny]

I struggle, in my little corner of this universe, with what to do.
Today I've been grumpy, my hands hurt, bills are due . . . I feel resentful;
one small step one small step one small step
is it enough to smile at the fading flowers,
to sweep the dirt off the wood floor,
to be gentle with my own sadness and moods? I hope so.

Song: "Wash Over Me"

✝ Bible Reading

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 (NRSV)

Mike Walsh

¹⁶ Therefore we do not lose heart.

Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.

¹⁷ For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us
an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.

¹⁸ So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen,
since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

The World of God to the people of God! **Thanks be to God!**

Listening for God's Message

Pastor Jacob Eun

Prayers of the People

Presentation of the Offerings

Call to Reconciliation

Unison Prayer for Forgiveness

***God of Sarah and Abraham, in this holy place, we know how weak is our discipleship.
We can spend hours at the computer, but only give You fleeting moments of our time.
We can talk endlessly on our cell phones,
but fall silent when it comes to sharing our fears, our worries, our hopes with You.
We seek quick fixes for our problems,
rather than seeking Your vision and future for our lives.
God of Peter, Paul, and the psalmist, forgive us:
for our lack of trust; for our faithless living; for our closing our ears to the call of Jesus.
Forgive us, so we may lay aside all the keeps us from You,
so we may take up the life You offer to us, through Jesus Christ, our LORD and Savior.***

[Silent prayers of confession are lifted...]

Assurance of Pardon

This is the good news: God does not go back on the promises made so long ago. God does not reject us, God redeems us. God does not withhold love, God pours it into our barren lives.

***Forgiven of our sins, filled with hope,
living in relationship with God and one another - we are a new people.
Thanks be to God. Amen.***

Holy Communion [*please refer to UMH 13-14*]

Song: "The Potter's Hand"

Song: "God of Wonders"

Benediction & Passing the Peace

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