



**\*Please stand if you are able**  
UMH is United Methodist Hymnal (red book)  
TFWS is The Faith We Sing (black book)

## Welcome to Worship

### Brief Announcements with Welcoming Prayer

#### Call to Worship (*responsive*):

Leader: Give thanks to God,

**All: For God's steadfast love lasts forever.**

L: God accompanies us in our distress,

**A: As we cross the threshold to worship's blessings.**

L: Give thanks to our God,

**A: For God's steadfast love abides with us.**

L: Let us enter this space for worship,

**A: Celebrating God's work for humankind.**

#### Opening Prayer (*in unison*):

**All: Spirit of hope and renewal, as the dawn nudges us awake, summon us with your presence. Wrap us with the cloak of your wisdom and grace. As your light breaks the horizon this day, help us see the love revealed in your realm. Nourish us with your wisdom and guide us with your hope, for we hunger to know you better. Amen.**

## \*Opening Hymn UMH 140

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

## Joys & Concerns with Pastoral Prayer

## Tithes & Offerings

## \*The Doxology UMH 95

## Children's Time

## Scripture

Hosea 11:1-11

## Hymn UMH 433 *All Who Love and Serve Your City*

## Message *From Wandering Eyes to Forgetting Ears*

## Holy Communion

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## \*Hymn UMH 451

*Be Thou My Vision*

## \*Benediction

*Tell someone you didn't come in with that you love them and that you're glad they're here!*

**Meet Jesus ~ Follow Jesus ~ Serve Jesus  
Love Boldly ~ Serve Joyfully ~ Lead Courageously**



Scan/click with  
your cell phone if  
you would like to  
give electronically!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS/IMPORTANT NOTES**

**Welcome!** We're so glad you are here worshipping with us today! Children are *always* welcome to stay and participate in worship. The nursery is open and located in the corner of the fellowship hall. If this is your first time with us, please fill out a Welcome Card and place in the offering plate. We Livestream our services each Sunday. You can find these services on our church Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/1stUMCGouv/](http://www.facebook.com/1stUMCGouv/)

**-RIP IT-** Free exercise group. On vacation 8/1-8/10!!

**-Bible Studies-** Wednesdays **10am** in Rm 103 (Acts).

**-Pickle & Praise-** Pickleball Fundraiser August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

See Dede for more info.

**-We've Got Your Back-** Sunday August 31<sup>st</sup> after Worship. More info coming SOON! Please be in prayer how you can participate.

Please fill out your Bible Study questionnaires!

Coffee Fellowship sign-up is outside the Office!

*Please see our bulletin board for announcements,  
Camp Aldersgate info & forms, etc!*

***Read ahead for next Sunday:***

**Isaiah 1:1, 10-20**

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