
Welcome to the Collaborative Worship Service of Wesley United Methodist and First Presbyterian Churches of Crookston, MN

Sunday, March 19, 2023 - VOCARE (Attentiveness)

Please join us for coffee and treats in the dining hall after worship.

+Those who are able may stand

PRELUDE George French

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION ***UMCOR*** Dave Colborn

+CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Leader: The Lord is my Shepherd.

People: I shall not want.

Leader: The Shepherd calls.

People: We hear the Shepherd's voice.

Leader: The Shepherd cares for our every need.

People: We are loved.

Leader: The Shepherd searches for us.

People: We are found.

Leader: The Shepherd leads us through the deepest valleys.

People: We will not be afraid.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.

People: And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever!

+HYMN He Leadeth Me **128**

+OPENING PRAYER

When we are distracted by things that cause us to lose track of your call, O God, turn our attention back to you so that we might recognize you at work in our lives. Direct the ponderings of our hearts toward where you call us to pay attention. Teach us to regard your work in all creation and to be attentive to what you are doing. In the name of +Jesus, Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC Be Thou My Vision Bells of Praise

+GOSPEL READING John 9: 1-41

L: This is the word of God for the people of God. **P: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON ***Called to Attentiveness*** Pastor Mike Ozaki

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION (*Singing Bowl*)

+HYMN Open Our Eyes, Lord (x2) **2086**

UNISON PRAYER OF NEED

Gracious God, we confess that we often invest our attention in misguided places and in misguided ways. We admit that where we focus our attention can prevent us from recognizing you at work right in front of us. Forgive us, and help us to center our lives in you so that we may join in your creative and redeeming work for all the world. Through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF LIFE

By God's grace we are forgiven and set free. Let us live as centered and creative people of God! Amen!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us share a sign of peace with one another.

SPECIAL MUSIC George & Pastor Ruth

Sacrament of Holy Communion



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Lord, in your mercy **People: Hear our prayer**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

+HYMN Jesus Calls Us 398

OFFERING REFLECTION

+BENEDICTION

Lord, keep us attentive and give us keen sight, that we may see the many ways of serving you by helping others. Help us bring sight to others who dwell in deep darkness. Amen.

+SENDING (Responsive)

Leader: Our worship in the sanctuary has ended.

People: Our service in the world begins!

POSTLUDE

Musician: George French

Song Leader: Matt Gilmore

Next Week: Matt Gilmore

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Welcome To Worship



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