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UNION UNIVERSITY CHURCH ORDER OF WORSHIP February 18, 2024

Teach me, Lord, how to be still. Like a Good Shepherd, lead me beside still waters. Quiet my soul. Bring order and calm to the chaos in my mind, so that I can spend time in quiet and joyful meditation with You.



WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CELEBRATIONS

May this be a time for silent reflection as we prepare ourselves for worship...

PRELUDE "Be Thou My Vision"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the beginning, before time, before people, before the world began,

All: God was.

Leader: Here and now, among us, beside us, clearer than air, closer than breathing,

All: God is.

Leader: In all that is to come, when we have turned to dust and human knowledge has been completed,

All: God will be.

Leader: Not despairing of earth, but delighting in it, not condemning the world, but redeeming it, through Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit,

All: God was, God is, God will be.

*HYMN #269, vss 1-3

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

SHARING OF PRAYER CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

SILENT PRAYER – LORD'S PRAYER (debts-debtors)

UNISON PRAYER

Leave me not to the tempest of all the meaningful superficialities of my life, O God. Drive me, drive me, O God, to my inmost center where, stripped bare of all that cloys and clutters, I may know Thee even as I know me. This is the heart of the cry of Thy children, O God, holy God, our Father. Accept, our Father, the offering of our faith and our words and our lives. We seek forgiveness for the inadequacy of mind and the slowness of heart with which we seek to make articulate the meaning of Thy spirit within us, O God, our Father. Forgive us, O God, for all that is limiting and blind. Give the lift of Thy spirit to the desire of the heart as Thou dost know it... Forgive us, our Father, for all that remains standing between Thee and us: the fears and anxieties, the hatreds, the bitterness, the despair—forgive us for all these. Tutor our spirits in the hope that is born of Thy love for us, that we may learn in some way that speaks to our condition Thy love of Thee in us. Amen

GIFT OF MUSIC

"Mary Don't You Know" Bev Snyder

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

You are invited to place your offering in support of the ministry and mission of UUC in the designated offering plate as you enter or leave the Sanctuary. Online donations can be made using Tithe.ly See the UUC webpage for details.

MUSICAL OFFERTORY

"Mazurka in C#" Frederic Chopin

*LENTEN DOXOLOGY & BLESSING

Praise God throughout these forty days. Praise Christ, our Lord, whom he did raise. And praise the Spirit who imparts God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen

*HYMN #278

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 1:9-15

SERMON

40 Days, A Lenten Journey toward the cross of Christ

Rev. Dr. Roberto Ché Espinoza

*CLOSING HYMN #280

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*BENEDICTION

*UNISON BENEDICTION RESPONSE (sung)

In this church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified In this church, Lord, be glorified today. In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

POSTLUDE

"If I Had a Hammer" Pete Seeger

Serving Today February 18, 2024

Lay Leader	Mary-Lou Cartledge
Flowers	Lent
Greeter(s)	Sally Hopkins
Coffee Hour	
Piano	Peter O'Connor
Hymn Leader	Beverly Snyder
Usher	John Meacham
Zoom Hosts	Jim Ninos, Apriel Biggs

Looking Ahead February 25, 2024 Second Week of Lent

Lay Leader	Larry Casey
Flowers	Lent
Greeter(s)	Mindy Smith
Coffee Hour	Michele Hluchy
Piano	Peter O'Connor
Hymn Leader	Beverly Snyder
Usher	John Meacham
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Reminders

- No Nutrition Site next Monday February 19 (Presidents' Day)
- Trustees Meeting Tuesday February 20 at 2
- **Book Group Meeting** Thursday February 22 at 3:30



Mission of the Month

Allegany-Cattaraugus-Chautaqua Fund for Women

"The ACCFFW exists to invest in the lives of women in our communities in order to promote sustained self-sufficiency. Our mission is supported by strong guiding principles, including empowerment, community, good stewardship, equity, diversity, and self-determination."

FEBRUARY LEADERS Elder Cathy Rees Fellowship Cindy Tucker Trustee Joe Dosch BOCETBD



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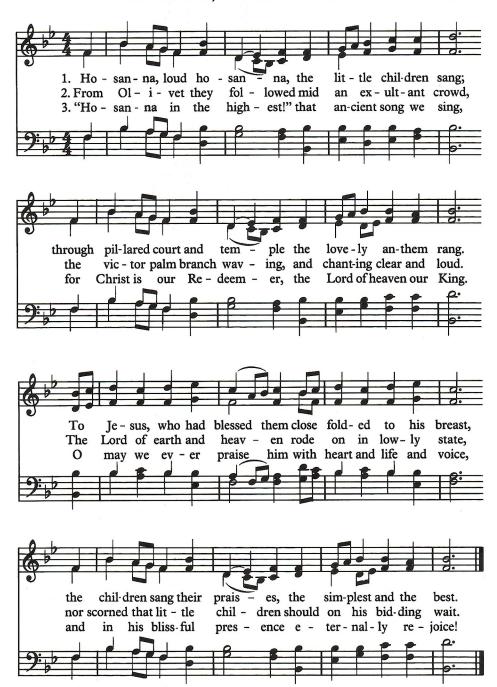
O God our deliverer, you led your people of old through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide now the people of your church, that, following our Savior, we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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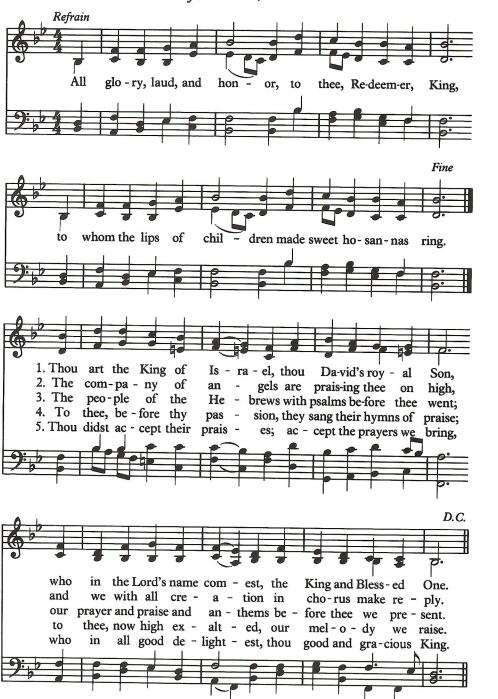
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Hosanna, Loud Hosanna



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All Glory, Laud, and Honor



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