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WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30 am Traditional

First United Methodist Church

where God meets people face to face!

November 24, 2024 – 10:30 A.M.

“I will guide you along the BEST PATHWAY for your life!” Psalm 32:8

**For your children, activity bags are available in the foyer.*

Child care is available during the service.

(Stand, if able.)*

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist

*CALL TO WORSHIP *(respond in bold)*

Liturgist: Welcome this day to a celebration of grace and abundance!

People: Praise be to God who has given us the seasons of the year.

L: Come, let us celebrate the goodness of God.

P: Our lives should be witnesses to God's goodness and power.

L: God has blessed us with God's great love.

P: We come rejoicing, for God is so good to us. AMEN.

*OPENING HYMN

“Now Thank We All Our God”

UMH # 102

(verses 1 – 3; interlude between verses 2 and 3)

*OPENING PRAYER *(In unison)*

Liturgist

It is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did great signs in our midst. It is the Lord our God who has protected us and loved us through all the years. It is the Lord our God whose own Son, Jesus Christ, died and rose again, conquering death. It is time to wake up, for God is about to surprise us. It is time to start planning, for God's invitation will fill our church. It is time to worship, for God is here now! Amen!

SHARING GREETINGS *(Please greet someone that you do not know.)*

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Tiffany Charles

*CALL TO PRAYER HYMN

“Amazing Grace”

UMH # 378

(verses 1 – 5; interlude between verses 3 and 4)

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Yohan Baek

*(Our prayer rises to heaven, to the mystery of God's power,
as the smoke ascends when the precious incense burns)*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

“A Thanksgiving Prayer”

Choir

*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH # 95

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 17: 11-19

Liturgist

Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, “Jesus, Master, have pity on us!” When he saw them, he said, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan. Jesus asked, “Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Rise and go; your faith has made you well.”

*SONG OF PREPARATION

“Simple Gifts” *(sing twice)*

~Insert

MESSAGE

“Imperfect Gifts”

Rev. Yohan Baek

Note 1: “If another guy shows up at a party with the exact same outfit you are wearing, he just might become your new best friend.”

Note 2: Psalm 1: 1-3

“**Blessed is the one who meditates** on his law (God’s Word in the Bible), whatever they do prosper.”

Note 3: James 1: 25

“...whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—**not forgetting what they have heard**, but doing it, **they will be blessed** in what they do.”

Note 4: The shortest pencil is longer than the longest memory.

Note 5: Lepers had to stay 50 yards away from people who didn't have leprosy.

Note 6: Luke 17: 14

"Go and show yourselves to the priests."

Note 7: If a leper were cleansed, he had to be declared clean by a priest before resuming a normal life.

Note 8: Luke 17: 17

"Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine?"

Note 9: Gratitude involves changing your way of perceiving.

Note 10: Imperfect gifts are the only gifts we are going to get in this world.

Two things I'd like to remember from this sermon:

- 1.
- 2.

***HYMN OF INVITATION**

"Benediction Hymn"

~ *Insert*

BENEDICTION

Rev. Yohan Baek

"Be JOYFUL always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you..." (1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18)

***POSTLUDE**

I don't ever want any person leaving this church saying, "Nobody ever spoke to me. Nobody ever smiled." At the close of the service, please stay and greet those around you. We hope that you feel inspired, loved, and connected to God and others.

UMH (The United Methodist Hymnal – red hymnal)

WORSHIP LEADERS

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