

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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WORSHIP SERVICE
10:30 am Traditional

First United Methodist Church

where God meets people face to face! February 23, 2025 – 10:30 A.M.

We hope that through the songs, prayers, message, and fellowship, you experience the Mystery of God that passes our human understanding.

*For your children, a basket with activities is available in the foyer.

Child care is available during the service, following the Children's Moment.

(* Stand, if able.)

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Respond in bold.)

Liturgist: We are here, because this is where God's presence is celebrated.

People: Lord, I stand in awe of your law. Give me understanding that I may live!

L: Our God welcomes worship in Spirit and truth.

P: Then let us worship God in Spirit and truth!

*OPENING HYMN "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" UMH # 400 (verses 1-3; interlude between verses 2 and 3)

*OPENING PRAYER (In unison)

Spirit of God, we long to be open to your presence in this place. Come into our hearts and let your healing and peace flow in. O Lord, help us to let go of the things that harm our spirits and diminish our souls. Please ease our fears, confirm our hopes, bless our hearts with your loving presence. Bind us together in love, to be healed, to learn and to grow. AMEN.

*SHARING GREETINGS (Please shake hands with someone you don't know.)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Tiffany Charles

*CALL TO PRAYER HYMN "Be Thou My Vision" UMH # 451 (verses 1 – 3; interlude between verses 2 and 3)

INFANT BAPTISM Anna Marie Woodburn

Parents: Mike and Rachel Woodburn

Grandparents: Dottie Davis and Greg Ray, Bill and Kendra Davis,

Susan Bruggeman and Jim Stockton, Stephen and Elizabeth Woodburn

Sponsors: Nichole and Blake Davenport

*Congregational Response UMH # 35

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S 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 "The Lord's Prayer"

Choir

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH # 95

GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER BETTER

The Graves Family

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 3: 16-17

Liturgist

"As soon as Jesus was baptized, he came up out of the water. Then heaven opened, and he saw **God's Spirit coming down on him like a dove**. And a voice from heaven said, "**This is my Son, whom I love**, and I am very pleased with him."

*HYMN

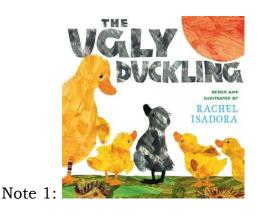
"Take My Life, and Let It Be"

UMH # 399

MESSAGE

"Your Identity"

Rev. Yohan Baek



Note 2: Some of us are living and believing we are ducks, while in fact we are beautiful swans.

Note 3: Galatians 3:26

"... You are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus."

1 Peter 2:9

"...**You are a chosen people**. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God's very own possession."

Note 4: We all have some hidden wounds (emotional scars) that nobody else sees. They are there and they hurt. One of the deepest causes of those hurts is rejection from **parents** or rejection from **parents**.

Note 5: If we look at a distorted mirror, we get a distorted image of ourselves. Growing up, the adults around our life were mirrors. We tended to accept whatever they said as the truth. We have never met a perfect adult. As a result, their image of us was incorrect.

Note 6: John 15:16

"You did not choose me, but I chose you!"

Note 7: Being chosen does self-esteem a whole lot of good!

*SENDING HYMN

"Go In Love"

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*BENEDICTION

Rev. Yohan Baek

*POSTLUDE

UMH (The United Methodist Hymnal – red hymnal)

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Yohan Baek, Pastor Brian Gray, Liturgist Hunter King, Violinist Jeeyoung Baek, Pianist

Josh and Felicia Graves, Videography and Online Church Tiffany Charles, Director of Children's Ministry and Mother's Day Out Julia Coward, Nursery Director & Children's Church Robert Swonke, Kristi and Frank Chavana, Greeters Jim Curik and Glynn Tucker, Ushers