



Order of Worship for January 29, 2023

Sermon Series: Walking with Jesus

Prelude

Welcoming and Announcements

Pastor Sharon Kichline

Celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries

Blessing of the Children as they join Living Stones

Centering

***Welcoming the Light of Christ with Song**

“We Are Called”

FWS 2172

***Call to Worship**

Debbie Lund

One: Come and hear the good news. No matter what is happening in your life, God’s blessing and love is with you. Come and hear what God wants you to do: live lives of justice and love and truth. Come and get courage and strength to be fools for Christ, embracing Kingdom values rather than those of the world.

Many: We’re here, ready to listen, open to change, expecting to be blessed by our time together.

***Opening Prayer**

In Unison

Loving God, we come this morning seeking to abide in your presence. Open our minds to your spirit of wisdom, that we may know how to live as your people. Open our hearts to your spirit of truth, that we may love all your people with a love that speaks of justice, kindness, and radical grace. May this time of worship be authentic and pleasing to you. Amen.

***Passing the Peace of Christ Among Us**

The God of blessing and love be with all of us.
We embrace God’s blessing and love.

Turn now and pass that blessing on to one another so that our community may be bound together in love and blessing.

*You are invited to greet your neighbors offering the peace of Christ
with a wave and a smile ☺*

Anthem

“Lord, Here Am I” (Composed by Jay Althouse)

Chancel Choir

Collection of Our Tithes and Offerings

“Jesu, Jesu”

UMH 432

***Doxology and Blessing our Offerings**

Pastor Josh

O God, you bless us in so many areas of our lives— in places we often fail to recognize as blessing. Help us have eyes to see and hearts to understand the depth of your love and blessing. Today, we give out of that blessedness, dedicating ourselves to lives of justice and love, giving all that we are and all that we have to bring about your beloved community, here and now. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Scripture Readings

Old Testament: Joshua 24:14-15

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 20:20-28

Preparing Our Hearts

The Message

“Here I am Lord”

Pastor Sharon

Responsive Prayer

In Unison

Lord, you taught us that your glory is revealed when we, the human beings made in your image, extend your love and care for us to others. Make me aware of your “nudges”. And give me a heart that is open to interruption when you need me. It’s in your name that we pray. Amen.

Sending Song

“The Summons”

FWS 2130

***Benediction**

Pastor: God sends us into the world, to accept the cost and to discover the joy of discipleship. Therefore go—carrying with you the peace of Christ, the love of God, and the encouragement of the Holy Spirit, in trust and rejoicing.

People: Amen.

***Sending Forth**



*How wonderful to have you in worship with us today!
We are a church family that welcomes you.*