

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
3700 Pacific Avenue, Stockton, CA 95204

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
Sunday March 20, 2022 – 11:00am



**GATHERING**

**PRELUDE**

*Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*  
(setting by Frederick Frahn)

**WORDS OF WELCOME**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**OPENING HYMN**

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

UMH #127

*Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.*

*Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;  
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.  
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,  
be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.*

*When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;  
death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, songs of praises,  
I will ever give to thee; I will ever give to thee.*

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

Christie McCaa

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

### PSALTER

Psalm 63:1-8 (Hymnal #788)

Laura Dinges, Liturgist

**Choir:** **(Response)** *My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord, thirsting for you my God.*

**Leader:** O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirst for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where no water is.

**People:** **So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.**

**Leader:** Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

**People:** **So I will bless you as long as I live: I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

**Choir:** **(Response)**

**Leader:** My soul is feasted as with marrow and fat, and my mouth praises you with joyful lips, when I think of you upon my bed, and meditate on you in the watches of night;

**People:** **for you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy. My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.**

**Choir:** **(Response)**

### SCRIPTURE

Exodus 17:1-7

Laura Dinges, Liturgist

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

### ANTHEM

*O Jesus Every Moment*  
(Philip W.J. Stopford)

Chancel Choir

### MESSAGE

Pastor Mark Cordes

### PRAYER

#### LORD'S PRAYER

**Our God 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...Amen.**

## THANKSGIVING

### INVITATION

### OFFERTORY

*Holy Spirit, Truth Divine*  
(setting by Frederick Frahn)

*Bless thou the gifts our hands have brought; bless thou the work our hearts have planned.  
Ours is the faith, the will, the thought; the rest, O God, is in thy hand.*

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

CLOSING HYMN

*We Walk by Faith*

TFWS #2196

*We walk by faith, and not by sight: with gracious words we hear  
of him who spoke as none e'er spoke, but we believe him near.*

*We may not touch his hands and side, nor follow where he trod;  
yet in his promise we rejoice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"*

*Help then, O Lord, our unbelief, and may our faith abound;  
to call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found:*

*That when our life of faith is done in realms of clearer light  
we may behold you as you are in full and endless sight.*

*We walk by faith, and not by sight: with gracious words we hear  
of him who spoke as none e'er spoke, but we believe him near.*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand*  
(arr. Adam Mason)

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SERVING YOU TODAY

Mark Cordes, Senior Pastor  
Monica Adams, Organist/Pianist  
Cherie Hudson, Facilities Coordinator  
Alan Cook, Interim Director of Age Level Ministries

Ric Campero, Choir Director  
David Campero, Media  
Rupert Cooper, Audio



### **UMCOR PROVIDES HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE**

Central members and friends who would like to help provide humanitarian assistance to the Ukrainian people in the wake of the Russian invasion of their country may contribute to the United Methodist Committee on Relief International Disaster Response and Recovery Fund.

This fund will provide direct assistance to those in Ukraine as well as assistance to the Ukrainians fleeing to neighboring countries.

Gifts to support the people of Ukraine can be made in the following ways:

- Online at <https://umcmmission.org/advance-project/982450>
- By toll-free telephone: 888-252-6174
- By check to Central United Methodist Church (CUMC) with “Advance #982450-Ukraine” written on the memo line, mailed to Central United Methodist Church, 3700 Pacific Ave., Stockton, CA 95204.

One hundred percent of all Advance contributions go to the designated cause.

The United Methodist community in Ukraine, though quite small, is actively engaged in assisting neighbors in need. Global Ministries is in touch with the church’s leadership as well as with church leaders in countries welcoming those who are fleeing from violence in Ukraine.