

CENTENNIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AT IVY

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LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MOMENT:

"Power without love is reckless and abusive, and love without power is sentimental and anemic. Power at its best is love, implementing the demands of justice. Justice at its best is love, correcting everything that stands against love."
-Martin Luther King Jr.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

The Lord calls us to holiness as we are filled with the Spirit:

We shall delight in following God's commandments.

Let us labor to serve, not for selfish gain,

We seek to be honest and caring.

In our work for justice, we can share God's bounty,

God calls us to love our neighbors, even our enemies.

We are called to be generous and impartial; reaching out to help, not to reap rewards:

All things belong to Christ. We are gifted by God to share God's love!

Amen.

HYMN: #2172 "We Are Called"

Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!

We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God! We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly,

We are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God!

Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear!

We are called to be hope for the hopeless so all hatred and blindness will be no more!

We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly,

We are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God!

Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one!

God will reign, and we'll walk with each other As sisters and brothers united in love!

We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly,

We are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God!

PRAYER TIME

HYMN #496 "SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER" V.1

Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer! That calls me from a world of care.

and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known.

In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief, and oft escaped

the tempter's snare by thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

JOYS & CONCERNS

HYMN #496 "SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER" V.2

Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer! The joys I feel, the bliss I share

Of those whose anxious spirits burn with strong desires for thy return!

With such I hasten to the place where God my Savior shows his face.

And gladly take my station there, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!

Prayer Concerns/Pastoral/Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art 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.

HYMN #496 "Sweet Hour Of Prayer" V.3

Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer! Thy wings shall my petition bear

To him whose truth and faithfulness engage the waiting soul to bless.

And since he bids me seek his face, believe his word, and trust his grace, I'll cast on him my every care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

SCRIPTURE: Leviticus 19:1-2 & 9-18

This is the gospel of Jesus Christ. **All Praise to the Living Word!**

HYMN #569 "We've A Story To Tell To The Nations"

We've a story to tell the nations, that shall turn their hearts to the right, A story of truth and mercy, a story of peace and light, a story of peace and light. For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright; and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth, the kingdom of love and light.

We've a song to be sung to the nations, That shall lift their hearts to the Lord, A song that shall conquer evil and shatter the spear and sword,

And shatter the spear and sword.
For the darkness shall turn to dawning,
and the dawning to noonday bright;
and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth,
the kingdom of love and light.

We've a message to give to the nations, that the Lord who reigneth above hath sent us his Son to save us, and show us that God is love and show us that God is love. For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright; and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth, the kingdom of love and light.

We've a Savior to show to the nations,
Who the path of sorrow hath trod, that
All of the worlds' great peoples might come to the
truth of God might come to the truth of God.
For the darkness shall turn to dawning,
and the dawning to noonday bright;
and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth,
the kingdom of love and light.

MESSAGE: Holy & Human

OFFERING

Hymn #428 "For the Healing of the Nations"

For the healing of the nations, Lord, we pray with one accord;

For a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords:

To a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word.

Help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom; from despair your world release, that, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace.

Show us how through care and goodness fear will die and hope increase,

Fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living, let it from the earth be banned;

Pride of status, race, or schooling, dogmas that obscure your plan.

In our common quest for justice may we hallow life's brief span, may we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator God, have written your great name on humankind;

For our growing in your likeness bring the life of Christ to mind,

That by our response and service earth its destiny may find,

Earth its destiny may find.

BENEDICTION

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE SONG #666 "Shalom to You"

"Shalom to you now, shalom my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends. In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom."

With Love, Pastor Dani