



CENTENNIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AT IVY

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LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MOMENT:

"If you're grateful, you're not fearful, and if you're not fearful, you're not violent. If you're grateful, you act out of a sense of enough and not of a sense of scarcity, and you are willing to share. If you are grateful, you are enjoying the differences between people, and you are respectful to everybody, and that changes this power pyramid under which we live." -David Steindl-Rast

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Creator God, You call us to hospitality;
And to give as generously to others as You have given to us.

You welcome us to a time of wonder,
as we welcome Your words that inspire & challenge.

In the compassion we share, may we give You glory:
For there are angels among us.

We gather as one Body, seeking to walk in the way you have set for us:
To love without judgment, of ourselves or of others.

We gather as one Body, to worship the One who is Love.
Lead us now to live with open minds and open hearts!

HYMN: #139 "Praise To The Lord, The Almighty"

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigning bears thee on eagle's wings, e'er in his keeping maintaining. God's care enfolds all, whose true good he upholds. Hast thou not known his sustaining?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with his love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee, fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee. Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed. Spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him! Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly forever adore him.

PRAYER CONCERNS/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.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Luke 14:7-14 & Hebrews 13:2

HYMN: #2175 “Together We Serve”

In the midst of new dimensions, in the face of changing ways, who will lead the pilgrim peoples wandering in their separate ways?
God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar, we your people, ours the journey now and ever, now and ever, now and evermore.

Through the flood of starving people, warring factions and despair, who will lift the olive branches? Who will light the flame of care?
God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar, we your people, ours the journey now and ever, now and ever, now and evermore.

As we stand a world divided by our own self-seeking schemes, grant that we, your global village, might envision wider dreams.
God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar, we your people, ours the journey now and ever, now and ever, now and evermore.

We are man and we are woman, all persuasions, old and young, each a gift in your creation, each a love song to be sung.
God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar, we your people, ours the journey now and ever, now and ever, now and evermore.

Should the threats of dire predictions cause us to withdraw in pain, may your blazing phoenix spirit resurrect the church again.
God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar, we your people, ours the journey now and ever, now and ever, now and evermore.

MESSAGE: Entertaining Angels

OFFERING:

HYMN: #2284 “Joy In The Morning”

There'll be joy in the morning on that day,
There'll be joy in the morning on that day,
For the daylight dawn when the darkness is gone,
There'll be joy in the morning on that day.

There'll be peace and contentment evermore,
There'll be peace and contentment evermore,
Every heart, every voice on that day will rejoice,
There'll be peace and contentment evermore.

There'll be love and forgiveness everywhere,
There'll be love and forgiveness everywhere,
And the way of the Lord will that day be restored,
There'll be love and forgiveness everywhere.

BENEDICTION

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE SONG: #617 “I Come with Joy”

Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways, and as his people in the world, we'll live and speak his praise, we'll live and speak his praise.”

With love & gratitude, Pastor Dani