



# Closing Worship

Wednesday, June 4th, 2025

*Keepsake*



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Immeasurably More, Amen!**

**Liturgist: Olivia Dooley**

+ You're invited to stand in body or in spirit. | **Bold** words are spoken responsively.

### ENTRANCE

#### GREETING

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN      *O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* AZMON      UMH #57

#### +CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come with open hearts and expectant spirits—for God is already moving among us.

**People: We gather, trusting in the One who can do infinitely more than we ask or imagine.**

Leader: The Spirit of the living God invites us beyond what we see, calling us into courage, creativity, and compassionate love.

**People: We come to praise the God of boundless possibility, whose mercy is deeper than the ocean, whose grace stretches beyond the skies.**

Leader: Now to the One who is able to do more than we dare to dream—

**All: Be glory in the church, in our lives, and in Christ Jesus, forever and ever. Amen.**

+CONGREGATIONAL SONG      *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* NETTLETON      UMH #400

#### INVOCATION

Delaney Reynolds

Almighty and Everlasting God, as we gather in your presence today, we lift our hearts in gratitude and praise. We thank you for the gift of the TWK UMC and the time to come together as a community of faith. We acknowledge your sovereignty in our lives and the work we have done together. We thank you for the countless blessings you bestow upon us daily. May our worship be a sweet offering to you, filled with thanksgiving for your unending love and grace. Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH      *A Modern Affirmation*      UMH 885

Leader: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic, and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:

**People: We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power, and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good. We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of Man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death. We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need. We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in our example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.**

#### ACT OF PRAISE

*I Can Only Imagine*  
*Memphis Wesley Campus Ministry*

*Bart Millard*

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

+ SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 25: 31 – 40 CEB

Nya Sanders

<sup>31</sup> “Now when the Human One<sup>[a]</sup> comes in his majesty and all his angels are with him, he will sit on his majestic throne. <sup>32</sup> All the nations will be gathered in front of him. He will separate them from each other, just as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup> He will put the sheep on his right side. But the goats he will put on his left. <sup>34</sup> “Then the king will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who will receive good things from my Father. Inherit the kingdom that was prepared for you before the world began. <sup>35</sup> I was hungry and you gave me food to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me. <sup>36</sup> I was naked and you gave me clothes to wear. I was sick and you took care of me. I was in prison and you visited me.’ <sup>37</sup> “Then those who are righteous will reply to him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you a drink? <sup>38</sup> When did we see you as a stranger and welcome you, or naked and give you clothes to wear? <sup>39</sup> When did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?’ <sup>40</sup> “Then the king will reply to them, ‘I assure you that when you have done it for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you have done it for me.’

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

“The Threshold of Compassion”

Rev. Carlos Uroza

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

Rev. Travis Penney, Presiding

*Today we will receive Holy Communion by intinction or dipping the bread into the cup. There will be communion stations at the end of nearly every aisle. Please come forward as you are ready; ushers will not direct the flow, but may assist if needed. You will be offered a piece of bread. Dip it gently into the cup and partake. Stations for special needs, including gluten-free bread and alternative serving methods, are clearly marked and available. Those unable to come forward may be served at their seat; please alert a nearby usher. All who seek to follow Christ, regardless of age or church membership, are welcome at the table.*

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who are ready to return to the world with hearts open to his power at work within us, to give him glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will,**

**We have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love,**

**We have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy.**

**Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s love towards us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

**Glory to God! Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God,  
who gathers your Church to dream boldly,  
serve courageously,  
and give you glory.

You are the God of the immeasurable and the unimaginable  
—and through your Spirit, you continue to send us into the world.

You formed us in your image  
and breathed into us the breath of life.

When we turned away, and our love failed,  
your love remained steadfast.

You delivered us from captivity,  
made covenant to be our sovereign God,  
and spoke to us through the prophets.

And so, with your people on earth  
and with every generation before and yet to come,  
we proclaim the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.  
who revealed your glory in the Church  
and entrusted to us a mission immeasurably beyond our grasp,  
and yet entirely possible by your grace.

Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor,  
to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind,  
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,  
and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people.

He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.  
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection  
you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death,  
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us,  
he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread,  
gave it to his disciples, and said:  
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup,  
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:  
"Drink from this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving  
as a holy and living sacrifice,  
in union with Christ's offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,  
that we may be for the world the body of Christ,  
redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other,  
and one in ministry to all the world,  
until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,  
all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father,  
now and forever. **Amen.**

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

BREAKING THE BREAD

Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.  
The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.  
The cup over which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

**GIVING OF THE BREAD & CUP**

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**  
The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

**COMMUNION MUSIC**

*Broken for Me  
As We Gather at Your Table*

Janet Lunt  
Carl Daw

**PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING**

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery  
in which you have given yourself to us.  
Grant that we may go into the world  
in the strength of your Spirit,  
to give ourselves for others,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP**

Bishop David Graves

**SENDING FORTH**

**SONG OF SENDING**

*Make Us One*

*Carol Cymbala*

**BENEDICTION**

Bishop David Graves

Go now in the power of the Spirit, who is able to do more than you can ask, hope, or imagine.  
Live boldly, serve joyfully, and walk faithfully for the God of immeasurable grace walks with you.  
Let your life proclaim the glory of Christ Jesus in this generation and every generation to come.  
Go in peace, go in purpose, go in praise. Amen.

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