

WORSHIP HANDOUT  
September 26  
Sermon Series: "To Live the Word"



OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Favorite Hymns, help us worship by telling us what you love to sing and why!

Pledge Cards go out today!

PRELUDE

OPENING SONG

Open Hearts

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth!

**Praise be to God, the Giver of many gifts!**

Our help is in God's name, the One who calls us here.

**We come with songs of praise,  
with prayers too deep for words.**

Blessed be the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth!

**Blessed be the Lord!**

\*HYMN

UMH 87 What Gift Can We Bring

TIME OF PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER

**Christ Jesus,**

**we come into your presence  
from many different places.**

**We come with songs of joy  
and shouts of gratitude.**

**We come carrying heavy burdens  
and sighs of suffering.**

**As you welcome us into your house,  
lift our burdens  
and receive our praise.**

**Salt us with your grace  
and flavor us with your mercy.  
Bind us together,  
that we may be at peace with one another  
and be strengthened to go forth  
in service to the world.  
In your holy name, we pray. Amen.**

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## SILENT AND PASTORAL PRAYER (MUSIC)

### 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 now and  
forever. Amen.

HYMN

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His Eye Is on the Sparrow  
(Cindy Chimienti's favorite)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Nancy Hoffman

LESSON I

CEB

James 5:13-20

<sup>13</sup> If any of you are suffering, they should pray. If any of you are happy,  
they should sing.

<sup>14</sup> If any of you are sick, they should call for the elders of the church,  
and the elders should pray over them, anointing them with oil in the  
name of the Lord.

<sup>15</sup> Prayer that comes from faith will heal the sick, for the Lord will  
restore them to health. And if they have sinned, they will be forgiven.

<sup>16</sup> For this reason, confess your sins to each other and pray for each  
other so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous person is  
powerful in what it can achieve.

<sup>17</sup> Elijah was a person just like us. When he earnestly prayed that it wouldn't rain, no rain fell for three and a half years.

<sup>18</sup> He prayed again, God sent rain, and the earth produced its fruit.

<sup>19</sup> My brothers and sisters, if any of you wander from the truth and someone turns back the wanderer,

<sup>20</sup> recognize that whoever brings a sinner back from the wrong path will save them from death and will bring about the forgiveness of many sins.

**May God add a blessing to this reading.**

\*LESSON 2

CEB

Mark 9:38-50

<sup>38</sup> John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone throwing demons out in your name, and we tried to stop him because he wasn't following us."

<sup>39</sup> Jesus replied, "Don't stop him. No one who does powerful acts in my name can quickly turn around and curse me.

<sup>40</sup> Whoever isn't against us is for us.

<sup>41</sup> I assure you that whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ will certainly be rewarded.

<sup>42</sup> "As for whoever causes these little ones who believe in me to trip and fall into sin, it would be better for them to have a huge stone hung around their necks and to be thrown into the lake.

<sup>43</sup> If your hand causes you to fall into sin, chop it off. It's better for you to enter into life crippled than to go away with two hands into the fire of hell, which can't be put out.

<sup>45</sup> If your foot causes you to fall into sin, chop it off. It's better for you to enter life lame than to be thrown into hell with two feet.

<sup>47</sup> If your eye causes you to fall into sin, tear it out. It's better for you to enter God's kingdom with one eye than to be thrown into hell with two.

<sup>48</sup> That's a place *where worms don't die and the fire never goes out.*

<sup>49</sup> Everyone will be salted with fire.

<sup>50</sup> Salt is good; but if salt loses its saltiness, how will it become salty again? Maintain salt among yourselves and keep peace with each other."

L: This is the Word of God for all people.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

“Summers in Omaha”

HYMN

UMH 396 O Jesus, I Have Promised

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

UNISON PRAYER

Almighty God,  
giver of every good and perfect gift,  
teach us to give to you all that we have and all that we are,  
that we may praise you not with our words only,  
but with our whole lives.

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

UMH 336

Of All the Spirit's Gifts to Me  
(vs.5 only)

POSTLUDE