

WORSHIP HANDOUT
November 21st
“Greatest Regrets” series



OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Clothing Closet Reopen 9-11
Advent Starts Next Sunday

PRELUDE

OPENING SONG

Open Doors

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Gather around,
you are welcome here,
and you will hear Good News.

**P: In a world
where there are so many
discouraging and negative voices**

L: it is the God of encouragement
who will speak to you today.
The God of Jesus Christ.

**P: So let us gather, let us relax,
let our tiredness roll away.
Let us lift up our hearts, and listen.**

*HYMN

UMH 102 Now Thank We All Our God

TIME OF PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER

**Loving God of power and justice and peace,
In our broken world
We seek a new order
Where there is courage to speak truth to power
We seek a new order
Where there is mutual support in church and community
We seek a new order
Where there is abundant time for healing
We seek a new order
Where there is peace and freedom for all. Amen.**

~ from the Monthly Prayers page of the **Christian Aid** website. <http://www.christianaid.org.uk/>

SILENT PRAYERS (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

TFWS 2036 Give Thanks

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

LESSON I

CEB

Daniel 7:9-10,13-14

⁹ As I was watching,

thrones were raised up.
The ancient one took his seat.
His clothes were white like snow;
his hair was like a lamb's wool.
His throne was made of flame;
its wheels were blazing fire.
¹⁰ A river of fire flowed out from his presence;
thousands upon thousands served him;
ten thousand times ten thousand stood ready to serve him!
The court sat in session; the scrolls were opened.
¹³ As I continued to watch this night vision of mine, I suddenly saw
one like a human being
coming with the heavenly clouds.
He came to the ancient one
and was presented before him.
¹⁴ Rule, glory, and kingship were given to him;
all peoples, nations, and languages will serve him.
His rule is an everlasting one—
it will never pass away!—
his kingship is indestructible.

May God add a blessing to this reading.

*LESSON 2

CEB

John 18:33-37

³³ Pilate went back into the palace. He summoned Jesus and asked, "Are you the king of the Jews?"

³⁴ Jesus answered, "Do you say this on your own or have others spoken to you about me?"

³⁵ Pilate responded, "I'm not a Jew, am I? Your nation and its chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?"

³⁶ Jesus replied, “My kingdom doesn’t originate from this world. If it did, my guards would fight so that I wouldn’t have been arrested by the Jewish leaders. My kingdom isn’t from here.”

³⁷ “So you are a king?” Pilate said.

Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. I was born and came into the world for this reason: to testify to the truth. Whoever accepts the truth listens to my voice.”

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

P: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

“Inflection Points”

HYMN W& S 3087 O Christ, When You Ascended
(by permission of Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, lyricist)

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 143 On Eagle’s Wings

POSTLUDE