

WORSHIP HANDOUT
Sunday February 12th
Black History Month Special Sunday



OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*SONG OF WELCOME Open Doors

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: My Lord, what a morning!

You have raised up a mighty nation and a mighty people

People: And we are strong, proud, and yours.

Leader: My Lord, what a morning!

You have brought us through the dips and hollows,
up and down the streets,

over the hills and mountains and through the valleys.

People: And we are strong, proud, brave and yours.

**ALL: My Lord, this morning, we have come to celebrate you,
to affirm ourselves as images of you in all your glory and to say
"Yes, Lord, we are strong, proud, brave, and yours in every
way." We count it all joy!**

<https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/liturgy-resources-for-black-history-month-worship>

OPENING PRAYER

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, thou who has brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray. Amen.

ANTHEM "Order My Steps" Glenn Burleigh/arr. by Jack Schroeder

SONG AS CHILDREN GATHER Where Children Belong TFWS 2233

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

TIME OF PRAYER

Prayers/Names of the People

PASTORAL AND SILENT 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: Great Is Thy Faithfulness UMH 140(ccli)

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God 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. Amen.

**Lord, you have been our help,
generation after generation.**

**² Before the mountains were born,
before you birthed the earth and the inhabited world—
from forever in the past
to forever in the future, you are God.**

**³ You return people to dust,
saying, “Go back, humans,”**

**⁴ because in your perspective a thousand years
are like yesterday past,
like a short period during the night watch.**

**⁵ You sweep humans away like a dream,
like grass that is renewed in the morning.**

**⁶ True, in the morning it thrives, renewed,
but come evening it withers, all dried up.**

**⁷ Yes, we are wasting away because of your wrath;
we are paralyzed with fear on account of your rage.**

**⁸ You put our sins right in front of you,
set our hidden faults in the light from your face.**

**⁹ Yes, all our days slip away because of your fury;
we finish up our years with a whimper.**

**¹⁰ We live at best to be seventy years old,
maybe eighty, if we’re strong.**

**But their duration brings hard work and trouble
because they go by so quickly.**

And then we fly off.

**¹¹ Who can comprehend the power of your anger?
The honor that is due you corresponds to your wrath.**

**¹² Teach us to number our days
so we can have a wise heart.**

- ¹³ Come back to us, Lord!
Please, quick!
Have some compassion for your servants!**
- ¹⁴ Fill us full every morning with your faithful love
so we can rejoice and celebrate our whole life long.**
- ¹⁵ Make us happy for the same amount of time that you
afflicted us—
for the same number of years that we saw only trouble.**
- ¹⁶ Let your acts be seen by your servants;
let your glory be seen by their children.**
- ¹⁷ Let the kindness of the Lord our God be over us.
Make the work of our hands last.
Make the work of our hands last!**

May God add a blessing to this reading.

*HYMN What a Mighty God We Serve TFWS 2021 (one lic)

*LESSON 2 Hebrews 3:1-15 CEB

Therefore, brothers and sisters who are partners in the heavenly calling, think about Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession. 2 Jesus was faithful to the one who appointed him just like Moses was faithful in God's house. 3 But he deserves greater glory than Moses in the same way that the builder of the house deserves more honor than the house itself. 4 Every house is built by someone, but God is the builder of everything. 5 Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant in order to affirm the things that would be spoken later. 6 But Jesus was faithful over God's house as a Son. We are his house if we hold on to the confidence and the pride that our hope gives us.

7 So, as the Holy Spirit says,

Today, if you hear his voice,

8 don't have stubborn hearts
as they did in the rebellion,
on the day when they tested me in the desert.
9 That is where your ancestors challenged and tested me,
though they had seen my work for forty years.
10 So I was angry with them.
I said, "Their hearts always go off course,
and they don't know my ways."
11 Because of my anger I swore:
"They will never enter my rest!"

12 Watch out, brothers and sisters, so that none of you have an evil,
unfaithful heart that abandons the living God. 13 Instead, encourage
each other every day, as long as it's called "today," so that none of you
become insensitive to God because of sin's deception. 14 We are
partners with Christ, but only if we hold on to the confidence we had
in the beginning until the end.

15 When it says,

Today, if you hear his voice, don't have stubborn hearts
as they did in the rebellion.

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

P: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

"My Walk of Faith"

Doris Collins

*HYMN Lift Every Voice and Sing v 1&2 UMH 519 (ccli)

*BENEDICTION and RESPONSE

Lift Every Voice and Sing v 3

UMH 519 (ccli)

POSTLUDE