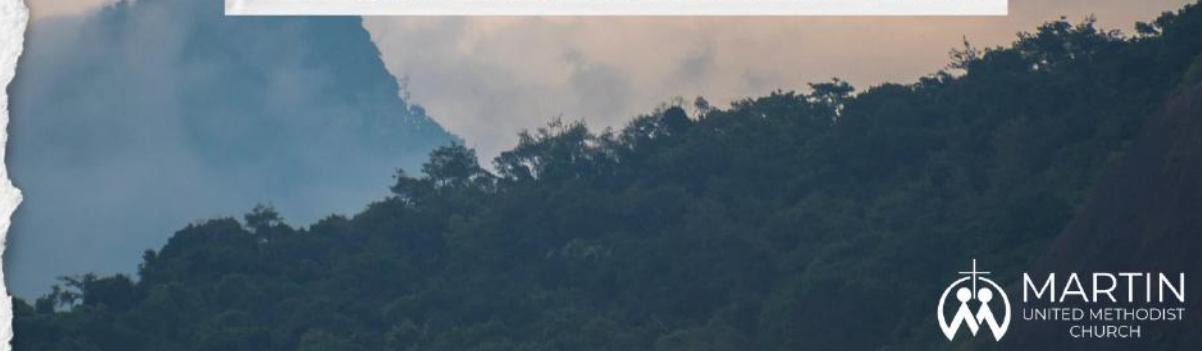




# UNLEASHING HEAVEN

THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS HERE



## Martin United Methodist Church Service of Worship

*bold, bold italic are spoken/sung in unison*

TFWS: The Faith We Sing hymnal supplement

W&S: Worship and Song hymnal Supplement

All able are invited to stand for all portions marked with an asterisk (\*)

February 19, 2023

11:00 A.M.

**Prelude**

Emma Wimberg

**Welcome**

Rev. Daniel Hawkins

## \*Call to Worship

Caleb Bennetch

One: Beyond our busyness,  
Above the cold winter floor  
there is a glory rising born of heaven  
and reaching out to each one of us

**ALL: a light that shines through the clouds  
an invitation seeking all of who we are  
that transfigures the world**

One: that transforms darkness into hope  
that brings life from a cross  
where old life ends and new life is born

**ALL: In glory Jesus meets us here  
raising us from depths of valley  
to the height of the mountain  
carrying the weight of our humanity  
to the heights of heavens glory.**

One: Let us worship from the mountain and hear again

**“This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!”**

~ written by Rev. Rob Smith, Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church, Apple Valley, MN

## \*Opening Hymn

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

UMH 127

# Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah



1. Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this bar - ren land.  
2. O - pen now the crys - tal fountain, whence the heal - ing stream doth flow;  
3. When I tread the verge of Jor-dan, bid my anx - ious fears sub-side;



I am weak, but thou art might - y; hold me with thy power-ful hand.  
let the fire and cloud-y pil - lar lead me all my jour - ney through.  
death of death and hell's de - struc-tion, land me safe on Ca-naan's side.



Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en, feed me till I want no  
Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and  
Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to



more; (want no more) feed me till I want no more.  
shield; (strength and shield) be thou still my strength and shield.  
thee; (give to thee) I will ev - er give to thee.



## **\*Affirmation of Faith**

Rev. Faiana Prescott Funaki

**ALL: We are not alone, we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God:**

**who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the Church:**

**to celebrate God's presence,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.**

**We are not alone.**

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## **\*Gloria Patri**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

## **\*The Passing of the Peace**

Rev. Faiana Prescott Funaki

We invite you to share the peace of Christ with those that surround you.

## Musical Reflection

Over My Head  
MUMC Children and Youth Choir

arr. Adam & Matt Todd

## Children's Time

Robin Bratton

One of God's great gifts to the world is our kids. We welcome children in worship, and celebrate their presence with this special moment just for them.

## Prayers of the People

Dr. Daniel Reeves

## The 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 Reading

Luke 9:28-36

**28** About eight days after Jesus said these things, he took Peter, John, and James, and went up on a mountain to pray. **29** As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed and his clothes flashed white like lightning. **30** Two men, Moses and Elijah, were talking with him. **31** They were clothed with heavenly splendor and spoke about Jesus' departure, which he would achieve in Jerusalem. **32** Peter and those with him were almost overcome by sleep, but they managed to stay awake and saw his glory as well as the two men with him.

**33** As the two men were about to leave Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it's good that we're here. We should construct three shrines: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—but he didn't know what he was saying. **34** Peter was still speaking when a cloud overshadowed them. As they entered the cloud, they were overcome with awe.

**35** Then a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, my chosen one. Listen to him!"

**36** Even as the voice spoke, Jesus was found alone. They were speechless and at the time told no one what they had seen.

## Sermon

*Ears Open and  
Hearts Amazed*

Rev. Daniel Hawkins

## Offertory Prayer

Rev. Faiana Prescott Funaki

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## Offertory

## *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

arr. Marianne Kim

## The Worship Choir

# The Brass Connection

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms;  
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms;  
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.*

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
    Leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
    Leaning on the everlasting arms.

## **\*Doxology**

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## **\*Invitation**

Rev. Fajana Prescott Funaki

## \*Hymn of Commitment

Holy, Holy, Holy

UMH 64



1. Holy, holy, ho - ly! Lord God Al-might - y! Ear - ly in the  
2. Holy, holy, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee, cast - ing down their  
3. Holy, holy, ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee, though the eye of  
4. Holy, holy, ho - ly! Lord God Al-might - y! All thy works shall

morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
gold - en crowns a-round the glass - y sea;  
sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,  
praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.  
Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!  
cher-u - bim and ser-a-phim  
on - ly thou art ho - ly;  
Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!

Mer-ci - ful-and might - y, God in three per-sons, bless-ed Trin - i - ty!  
fall-ing down be - fore thee, which wert, and art, and ev - ermore shalt be.  
there is none be - side thee, per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.  
Mer-ci - ful and might - y, God in three per-sons, bless-ed Trin - i - ty.

## \*Benediction

Rev. Daniel Hawkins

## Postlude

Dr. Jieun Lee



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