



Order for the Worship of God

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UMH = United Methodist Hymnal

Please Silence Your Mobile Phone

TFWS = Faith We Sing

GOD CALLS US TO GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude “Lead Me Lord” *by Samuel Wesley*

Pastor’s Greeting

Centering Moment

*Responsive Call to Worship *Eva Brock, liturgist*

One: Family of God, we live in a world full of conflict and division.

Many: God calls us to be a people of reconciliation.

One: We live in a world full of misinformation and confusion.

Many: God calls us to be a people of truth and clarity.

One: We live in a world that wants to settle disputes with harmful words and actions.

Many: God calls us to be a people who make peace through compassion and honesty.

One: We live in a world that does not understand the ways of Jesus.

Many: Yet Jesus teaches us to be a people of reconciliation and peace for the good of the whole world. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, May 2026

*Hymn of Worship

God is Here

UMH #660

PROCLAIMING REALLY GOOD NEWS

First Reading

Exodus 12: 1-14 (NRSVUE)

Sherrill Futrell, reader

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, “This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn with fire. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand, and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the Passover of the LORD. I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, from human to animal, and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

“This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

All: Thanks be to God!

Special Music

“Abide with Me” *arr. Molly James*

DUMC chancel choir

A Time for the Child in Us All

Rev. Emily Pickens-Jones

The Peace of Christ is Given to All

Rev. Emily Pickens-Jones

"If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

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Witness to the Word

"Conflict"

Rev. Emily Pickens-Jones

WE OFFER OUR SELVES & OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Hymn of Prayer

Lead On, O Cloud of Presence

TFWS #2234

Praying in Community

Liturgist

Do You have a prayerful need? Please send your request to
prayerchain@davisumc.org

Beloved Creator,

We come to You humbly asking for the wisdom to see beyond the surface of our conflicts. Help us to see each other as Christ sees us, through a filter of love, and understand the perceptions and emotions of others involved.

Please grant us the patience to listen actively and the grace to empathize. In seeking clarity, may we foster an atmosphere of honest, open communication.

Lastly, please guide us in faithfully finding common ground and seeking a just and peaceful resolution. Amen.

Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father [Creator], who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name;
Thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Prayer of Generosity:

Reconciling God, you mark our lives not with fear, but with mercy, and you gather us into a people shaped by grace. As you delivered your children at Passover and taught your church to seek peace with one another, teach us to live in our “church clothes” every day—clothed in patience, truth, and love. Receive these gifts as signs of our trust in your saving power and our commitment to your work of healing and restoration. Use what we offer to mend what is broken, welcome those who feel outside, and build a community where forgiveness and hope have the final word. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

Gratitude for God's Generosity

<https://onrealm.org/DavisUnitedMeth/-/form/give/now>

Liturgist

*Doxology	<i>“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow” (with Alleluia)</i>	<i>UMH # 94</i>
	Praise God from whom all blessings flow!	
	Praise God, all creatures here below!	Alleluia! Alleluia!
	Praise God, the source of all our gifts!	
	Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!	
	Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!	Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

WE GO TO SERVE GOD & OUR NEIGHBORS IN ALL WE DO

*Hymn of Benediction	<i>In the Midst of New Dimensions</i>	<i>TFWS #2238</i>
*Prayer of Benediction		
*Postlude	<i>“Lead Me Lord” by Samuel Wesley</i>	