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Prelude	Jenny Memmott
Welcome & Announcements	Rev. Maria Campbell
Stewardship Moment	Beth & Mindy Welland
Opening Prayer	Liturgist – Andrea Cook

Loving God, all the earth marvel at your power; we feel your presence as the ground bursts forth with life. We rejoice as we remember your faithfulness revealed in the risen Christ. Surround us with your love and fill us with generosity and courage. Guide us so we may be called your friends and share your love with others. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Children's Moment	Rev. Maria Campbell	
Hymn of Praise	<i>Love Devine</i>	#384 UMH, vs 1, 3, 4
Scripture	Psalm 98	Liturgist – Andrea Cook

O sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory.

The LORD has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.

Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy

at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Maria Campbell

The Lord's Prayer

Anthem *A Mother's Prayer (Getty)* Jacob Eppel

Scripture John 15:9-17 Rev. Maria Campbell

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Message *No Greater Love* Rev. Maria Campbell

Offertory

Doxology *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* #95 UMH

Dedication of Offering Liturgist – Andrea Cook

Gracious God, we rejoice in your gifts of life, creation, and fellowship. Accept these offerings in joyous response to the overflowing blessings you have poured upon us. Help us to give as freely as we have received. Amen.

Communion Rev. Maria Campbell

Closing Song *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* #526 UMH

Blessing Rev. Maria Campbell

Postlude Margaret Cinotto

Hymn of Praise***Love Devine*****#384 UMH, vs 1, 3, 4****Verse 1**

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down; fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown! Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Verse 3

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return and never, nevermore thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Verse 4

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be. Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee; changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Doxology***Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*****#95 UMH**

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

Closing Song***What a Friend We Have in Jesus*****#526 UMH****Verse 1**

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.

Verse 2

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer.

Verse 3

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer. Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.