

ORDER OF WORSHIP - August 30, 2020

Gathering Thoughts:

"Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

- Matthew 16:24

Prelude

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Call to Worship: [Psalm 105:1-4]

Leader: O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,

People: make known his deeds among the peoples.

Leader: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

People: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

Leader: Seek the LORD and his strength;

People: seek his presence continually.

Unison Prayer: [Psalm 26:1-8]

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity, and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering. Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and mind. For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in faithfulness to you. I do not sit with the worthless, nor do I consort with hypocrites; I hate the company of evildoers, and will not sit with the wicked. I wash my hands in innocence, and go around your altar, O LORD, singing aloud a song of thanksgiving, and telling all your wondrous deeds. O LORD, I love the house in which you dwell, and the place where your glory abides. Amen.

Opening Hymn: "Let There Be Peace On Earth" UM Hymnal # 431

Scripture: Matthew 16:21-26

Sermon: "**Lessons in Discipleship**" Pastor Kent Jackson

Special Music: "Living As Joyful Disciples" Nancy Bodsworth

Pastoral Prayer
The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn: "They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love" UM Hymnal # 2223

Benediction

Postlude

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