

Thank you to Nan Hussey and Kristen Clear for your assistance in leading worship today!

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
I want to see You

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To see You high and lifted up
Shinin' in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love
As we sing holy, holy, holy

***Agnus Dei**

Alleluia alleluia
For the Lord God Almighty reigns
Alleluia alleluia
For the Lord God Almighty reigns Alleluia
(You are) Holy holy
Are You Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb
Worthy is the Lamb
You are holy holy
Are You Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb
Worthy is the Lamb
Amen

Near to the Heart of God

There is a place of comfort sweet,
near to the heart of God;
a place where we our Savior meet,
near to the heart of God.

O Jesus, blest Redeemer,
sent from the heart of God,
hold us who wait before thee
near to the heart of God.

Hymn of Promise

In the bulb, there is a flower
In the seed, an apple tree
In cocoons, a hidden promise
Butterflies will soon be free

In the cold and snow of winter
There's a spring that waits to be
Unrevealed until its season
Something God alone can see

There's a song in every silence
Seeking word and melody
There's a dawn in every darkness
Bringing hope to you and me

From the past will come the future
What it holds, a mystery
Unrevealed until its season
Something God alone can see

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**EVANGEL HEIGHTS
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Sunday, March 17, 2024

Worship 9:30 am

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Welcome



Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministry is a lay caring ministry offered by thousands of congregations to care for hurting people. Through Stephen Ministry, congregations equip and empower a team of Stephen Ministers who provide one-to-one, Christ-centered care to people experiencing grief, unemployment, hospitalization, loneliness, divorce, financial stress, a terminal illness, or other life difficulties.

We want to care for people at Evangel Heights United Methodist Church.

To learn more, contact Pastor Michelle.

5th Sunday in Lent
Testimony & Hymn Sing Sunday

Welcome Penny Krug

Breakthrough Prayer

People: Lord, interrupt us to be fearlessly obedient to your plans; Challenge us to act on those opportunities.

Prelude Mrs. Katy Monroe

Call to Worship Penny Krug

Leader: Lenten travelers, how long have you traveled this road with your gaze pointed down at the dust and gravel and asphalt as you walk or limp or roll down the path?

People: Sometimes it is easier to look at the road than at the people who share the journey with us.

Leader: Lift up your heads! Look, listen, reach out a hand. Who are your neighbors on this road?

People: We lift our heads and look to our Savior who journeys with us and helps us notice our neighbors all around us.

Leader: This is the Lenten journey—to learn to love God and love our neighbors just as Jesus showed us.

People: Our journey teaches us to lose our lives to God as we find and follow Christ in our service to others.

Leader: Come, let us worship God who caravans with us on this road to the cross.

All: Come, let us worship! Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, October 2023.

Opening Hymn Open the Eyes of My Heart All
Agnus Dei*

Prayers of the People Nan Hussey

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen

Prayer Song *Near to the Heart of God* All
UMH 472 vs 2

Children's Message Barb Dickerson

Testimony

Hymn

Testimony

Hymn

Scripture Lesson Jeremiah 31:31-34 (NIV Pg. 1227) Nan Hussey

Hymn

Gospel Lesson John 12:20-33 (NIV Pg. 1671) Nan Hussey

Message *If It Dies* Brian Clear

Giving of our First Fruits Penny Krug

Offertory

Doxology **Praise God from whom all blessings flow;** All
UMH 95 **Praise God, all creatures here below;**
Praise God above heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Missional Moment

Closing Hymn *Hymn of Promise* All
UMH 707

Benediction Penny Krug

Postlude Mrs. Katy Monroe