



UNIVERSITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

November 22, 2020 | 10:30 a.m.

Pastor - Reverend Michelle Mejia



Order of Worship - Streaming Service

WE GATHER FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE

Gathering Music

The King of Love My Shepherd Is
Abby Miller - Flute

Welcome Message

Call to Worship

(inspired by Psalm 98)

**From the small to the great,
and from the great to the small,
sing to God,
for God has done marvelous things.**

**Let the electrons circle their nuclei,
Let the earth spin on its axis,**

**Let the moons orbit the planets,
Let the planets orbit the Sun,**

**Let the Sun spiral in its galaxy,
Let the galaxies revolve around their Creator,**

Together for joy!

**From the small to the great,
and from the great to the small,
sing to God,
for God has done marvelous things.**

Verse 1

Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

Verse 2

Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace, and guide us when perplexed;
And guard us through all ills in this world, till the next!

**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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

**God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul.
Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding
that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.**

Scripture

Matthew 15:29-31

NRSV

²⁹ After Jesus had left that place, he passed along the Sea of Galilee, and he went up the mountain, where he sat down. ³⁰ Great crowds came to him, bringing with them the lame, the maimed, the blind, the mute, and many others. They put them at his feet, and he cured them, ³¹ so that the crowd was amazed when they saw the mute speaking, the maimed whole, the lame walking, and the blind seeing. And they praised the God of Israel.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.



Sermon

Pastor Michelle Mejia

Prayer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Giving of our Gifts *If you haven't already done so, we hope you'll share your gifts.

Music Ministry

Doxology

UMH #94

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!



Hymn of Service

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

UMH #160

Verse 1

Rejoice, ye pure in heart;
rejoice, give thanks and sing;
your glorious banner wave on high,
the cross of Christ your King.
Rejoice, rejoice,
rejoice, give thanks and sing.

Verse 5

Praise God who reigns on high,
the Lord whom we adore,
the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
[one God forevermore.](#)
Rejoice, rejoice,
rejoice, give thanks and sing.

Passing of the Peace

Blessing

Postlude


Shalom to You
Beverly Babcock –Organ

UMH #666



**To share your offering, you may use this link: <https://www.uumcp.org/electronic-giving>
Another option is to mail your offering to the church office:
3621 Campus Drive | College Park, MD 20740*

Opening prayer written by Salt Project. Praising God picture by:
<https://www.christianforums.com/blogs/series/psalms-100.138/>; Worship flowers donated by Frances and David Notley; arrangement created by Marie Venero.



**Let gratitude be the
pillow upon which you
kneel to say your
nightly prayer. And let
faith be the bridge you
build to overcome evil
and welcome good.**

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Announcements – November 22, 2020

SERMON SERIES Today ends our sermon series “GrateFull”. We’ve explored what it is like to feel, live, and share gratitude. Next Sunday, November 29, begins our journey through Advent – the four weeks before Christmas. We hope that you will be able to join us!

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING Advent begins on November 29 – next Sunday! At 4:30 each Sunday in Advent, you may join your church family in lighting your Advent wreath. Pastor Michelle will lead us in a short service via Zoom. If you did not pick up an Advent Wreath Kit but would like one, please contact the church office on Monday or Tuesday of this week.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS Would you like to help decorate our sanctuary for Advent and Christmas? You may pay for poinsettias for us to display and then take them home after Christmas Eve. Our final order will be called in to the nursery on December 4. Payments may be made online using this link: <https://uumcp.breezechms.com/form/1bca26>

Or send a check to the office along with your poinsettia request:
large = \$18.00. small=\$12.00 red or white

GIVING A snail mail letter from the office arrived at your home last week. It concerns your faithful giving of gifts to support our church, as well as plans for 2021. Please use the enclosed self-addressed envelope to return the “Together for Joy” Pledge Card.

STAFF GIFT If you would like to contribute to a holiday gift for our church staff, you may send a check to the church office or complete this form online: <https://uumcp.breezechms.com/form/692ccc>

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL Join our Sunday School class (via Zoom) for a discussion of scriptures, sharing of insights, and time of fellowship. We meet Sundays at 11:15 after our worship service. Details are in the email blast from this week.

WEDNESDAY PRAYERS Join Pastor Michelle and members of your church family in a time of sharing prayers on Wednesdays at noon, via a conference call. Our next call will be December 2.

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