

Hymn Sing

Welcome

Musical Call to Worship *He Is Exalted* TFWS #2070

**\*Opening Litany** Worship Leaders: Eric Schoute, Jules van Meerten  
Leader: We are here to follow Jesus  
**All: With halting steps**  
L: And questioning minds  
**A: With ready hands**  
L: And pierced hearts  
**A: With joy for each other**  
L: And gratitude to God.  
**A: Let us follow Jesus,**  
L: And let us worship God.

**\*Hymn** *Come, We That Love the Lord* UMH #732

Children’s Story Time *(Children may leave for Sunday School after this.)*

Prayer for Illumination  
Leader: Open to us the power of the stories of faith.  
**People: Let us hear and know their meaning for our lives.**

Scripture Reading 1 Kings 19:19-21 O.T. p. 326  
Ephesians 5:1-3 N.T. p. 194  
Philippians 2:1-11 N.T. p. 197

For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us,  
for the word of God within us. **Thanks be to God.**

**\*Hymn** *The Summons* TFWS #2130

Sermon Pastor Michelle

Choral Call to Prayer *I Need Thee Every Hour v.1* UMH #397

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer UMH #895

Passing the Peace

Music Ministry *God Has Smiled on Me* Isaiah Jones, Jr.  
Howard Leathers, soloist

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**\*Doxology** UMH #94

Opportunities to Serve

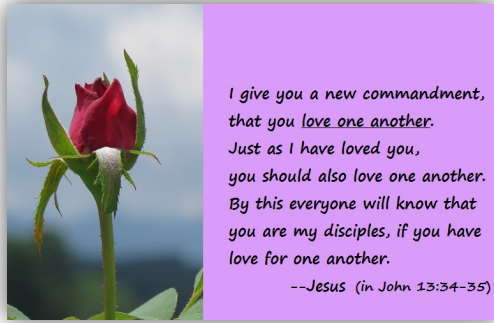
**\*Closing Hymn** *Where He Leads Me* UMH #338

**\*Benediction**

Postlude

*\*Please stand in body or spirit.*





**Congratulations and Best Wishes** Julianne (Jules) van Meerten and Eric Schoute have been a treasured part of our congregation these last six years as they studied for and received their doctorates from UMD. Now we send them off with our prayers and best wishes as Jules heads to Europe to rest, visit, and hopefully secure a job in France – a train ride away from her family in the Netherlands. And Eric, pending a good outcome with immigration procedures, will move to Jacksonville, Florida for a postdoctoral role at the University of North Florida. They will leave our area on August 5, so make sure you chat with them today during fellowship time following worship.

**MD Food Pantry** Please donate feminine hygiene products and **Chili powder** for the month of August. You may place items in the box in the lobby. Donations will be shared with the UMD Food Pantry, which provides items to food insecure students and staff.

**For Your Calendar:**

- August 18 Loaves and Fishes Community Meal
- August 25 Welcome Back potluck lunch – UMD students back on campus
- August 31 12:00 UMD Football game; Volunteers needed.
- Sept. 7 3:30 UMD Football game; Volunteers needed.

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