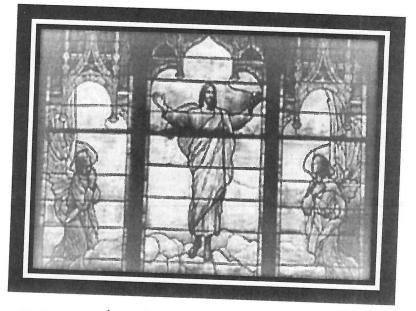
<u>Hymn</u>

"Spirit Song"

UMH 347

*Benediction

<u>Postlude</u>



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Esme and Ollie Allen
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August Head Usher – Jeff Erdie

The Celebration of Worship Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

<u>Prelude</u>

Bells

Choral Call to Worship

"Come Ye Sinners Poor and Needy"

*Call to Worship

P: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised!

All: Each day God brings to us new opportunities to learn and grow.

P: God is near to all of us.

All: We will not fear to call upon the Lord.

P: Come, let us praise God who walks with us daily.

All: Let us open our hearts and spirits to Gpd who loves and lives with us. AMEN.

*Opening Prayer

Redeeming God, come and heal our lives this day. Open our hearts to receive your words of hope and joy that we may become faithful servants of yours in this world which you have loaned to us. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

<u>Hymn</u>

"Let us Break Bread Together" UMH 618

Children's Time

Susan Coffindaffer

Scripture Reading 1 Thessalonians 2:6b-9

6 We were not looking for praise from people, not from you or anyone else, even though as apostles of Christ we could have asserted our authority. 7 Instead, we were like young children among you. Just as a nursing mother cares for her children, 8 so we cared for you. Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well. 9 Surely you remember,

brothers and sisters, our toil and hardship; we worked night and day in order not to be a burden to anyone while we preached the gospel of God to you.

Sermon Scripture

Joel 2:18-27

Sermon "Lord Has Done Great Things" Rev. Nici Masters

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Service of Word and Table

Invitation

Confession and Pardon

Passing the Peace

Offering/Doxology

"I Believe" arr. Slagle
I took the liberty to arrange this well-known and loved
number. Believe it or not, this song was commissioned and
introduced by Jane Froman on her TV show aired April 28,
1953, and became the first hit song EVER introduced on TV.
I Believe was written by Ervin Drake in 1953 to offer hope
and faith to the people due to the outbreak of the Korean
War. It is billed as a popular and religious standard. I hope
you enjoy my arrangement of "I Believe".

Offertory Prayer

Taking the Bread and Wine

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Joel 2:18-27 New International Version

The Lord's Answer

Then the LORD was jealous for his land and took pity on his people.

19 The LORD replied to them:

"I am sending you grain, new wine and olive oil, enough to satisfy you fully; never again will I make you an object of scorn to the nations.

"I will drive the northern horde far from you, pushing it into a parched and barren land; its eastern ranks will drown in the Dead Sea and its western ranks in the Mediterranean Sea. And its stench will go up; its smell will rise."

Surely he has done great things!

Do not be afraid, land of Judah;
be glad and rejoice.

Surely the LORD has done great things!

Do not be afraid, you wild animals,
for the pastures in the wilderness are becoming green.

The trees are bearing their fruit; the fig tree and the vine yield their riches.

Be glad, people of Zion,
rejoice in the Lord your God,
for he has given you the autumn rains
because he is faithful.
He sends you abundant showers,
both autumn and spring rains, as before.

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