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WELCOME AND GREETING, ORGAN PRELUDE

Centering Prayer

Song of Praise (FWS) 2040 Awesome God (2 times)

Anthem Be With Me Lord

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: From dust we came, to dust we will return.

**C: Yet you breathe life into us, you fill our lives with good things,
and you invite us into life in all its fullness.**

L: May we worship you this day remembering that you are the
resurrection and the life. Amen.

***MORNING PRAYER**

**Lord God, we come here with longing, with hearts full of things
we cannot share with others. We know that you greet us here
with reverence and with love. In this time of worship, may we
know a sharing with you deeper than any we have known before;
may we know an emptying, of all those burdens that we carry, of
all those regrets that we cling to; and may we know your love
and forgiveness, a peace that passes understanding as you meet
us here. With you, Lord, it is never too late, you always hold out
one more opportunity for us to find our way back. So, today, may
we be healed, restored, forgiven as we worship you here. Amen.**

Hymn of Praise (UMH) 73 O Worship the King

TIME OF PRAYER (FWS) 2200 O Lord Hear My Prayer

**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 temptations, but deliver us from evil. For
thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen**

PARTY WITH THE PREACHER

***OFFERTORY/ DOXOLOGY (p 95)**

**God, today we bring into the light all that we hide, offering it for
your transformation. As we offer ourselves and our gifts, may we
witness everyday miracles in the world around us, wrought by
your people living in love and compassion.**

Amen

SCRIPTURE: John 11:1-27 (p 104), Psalm 104:27-30 (p555)

Message

Closing Hymn (UMH) 455 So Not in Haste,

***GOOD NEWS**

**Surprise us, Lord, as we clamber from the dark and into
the light, knowing your loving presence with us. Show us
your life that we may reflect it to all with whom we meet
and share this week. May your blessing go with us, the
blessing of the Life-Creator, the Life-Giver, the Life-
Breather go with us now and always.**

Sharing Grace – Talking of death and funerals is something most
people avoid but some families are left struggling because they do not
know what their loved one's wishes are. During this week talk to your
family about your wishes or write down what you would like to
happen when you die: cremation or burial, hymn choices, any stories
from your past. Remember in your prayers those who have lost loved
ones.

FWS –Faith We Sing

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

**Please join us for coffee and conversation after
church with our hosts' Sarah Stackhouse &
Helpers**

SERVING THIS WEEK (2/18/17)

Greeters: Taylor and Lyn Fitch
Ushers: Dick Smith and Michele Covert
Scripture Reader: Sarah Stackhouse
Sunday School: Pam Althouse
Counters: Elly Stempien and Bill Sutherland
Nursery: Chris and Stacy Wyant
Door Greeter: Rob Laumeier
Prayer Minister: Gene James
Fellowship: Sarah Stackhouse

SERVING NEXT WEEK (2/25/18)

Greeters: Hope and Jim Enslow
Ushers: Deb Smith and Marilyn Sands
Scripture Reader: Brice Westerdahl
Sunday School: Marguerite Miller
Counters: Elly Stempien and Bill Sutherland
Nursery: Sonya Anderson and Kerry Fitch
Door Greeter: Dave Perl
Prayer Minister: Terry Fingar
Fellowship: Meredith Neilsen and Marilyn Sands

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Jesus Raises Lazarus

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