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## WELCOME AND GREETING, ORGAN PRELUDE

### Centering Prayer

### Song of Praise (FWS) 2164 (2 times) Sanctuary

Sharing of the Peace – please take a moment to greet those around you in the Name of the Lord.

### Anthem      At The Name of Jesus

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: All your works shall give thanks to you, Lord,  
**All: and all your faithful shall bless you.**  
Leader: They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom  
**All: and tell of your power.**  
Leader: Our Savior is under arrest, he stands facing his accusers, and the truth is questioned by those who cling to power.  
**All: It is scandalous, and yet this Savior is the one we worship for in him we find truth and your Kingdom.**  
Leader: Let us worship God. Amen.

#### \*MORNING PRAYER

Holy One, we confess to You that our thoughts are not often on the sacred, on the holy, but on the things that trip us up. We compare ourselves to those with wealth and power and we desire what others have. We hold high standards for those in need, that they should be able to get by on so little, when we have so much. Forgive us. Call us into Your ways of Your Eternal Beloved Community, to love one another, to lift up one another, to care for each other's needs as if they were our own. Lift up our gaze from the temporary so we may seek the eternal around us. In Your name we pray. Amen.

### Hymn of Praise (UMH) 73 O, Worship the King

### TIME OF PRAYER (FWS) 2193 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

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)

Creator God, you have made us who we are. You have given us all that you have to give: your total commitment to our world and our well-being. May we not insult you by offering gifts of money alone, nor by offering a token of allegiance that does not cut beneath the surface of our lives. Here we offer you our most authentic faith, and our most perplexing questions. Here we submit to your authority, which demands that we take responsibility for ourselves. Here we commit ourselves to the search for truth, which will bring us straight back to you, through the one who is Way and Truth and Life. Amen

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 145:10-13 (p. 581), John 18:28-40 (p 112 )

#### Message

### Closing Hymn (UMH) 289 Ah, Holy Jesus

#### \*GOOD NEWS

Leader: What is truth?  
**All: We have heard again the story of an innocent man challenging the powers that constrain in order to bring freedom.**  
Leader: What is truth?  
**All: Truth is your Way of living, God of hope. May we go from here ready to challenge all who deny life and freedom.**  
Leader: What is truth?  
**All: Truth is the Way of love.**  
Leader: Go in love and peace, in truth and life, with the blessing of God now and forever. Amen.

Please join us for coffee and conversation  
after church with our hosts' Pam and Joyce

AED Training is today at 10:30am.

Grandma's Kitchen is this Tuesday. See clipboard for more information.

Thank you to everyone who made clothing for children in Haiti yesterday.

Baked Potato Dinner – March 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm

**SERVING THIS WEEK (3/11/18)**

Greeters: Meredith and Ruth Ann  
Ushers: Fuzzy and Ryan Andersen  
Scripture Reader: Barbara Bailey  
Sunday School: Kerry Fitch  
Counters: Ron Salyer and Linda Folts  
Nursery: Chris & Stacy Wyant  
Door Greeter: Karen Drumm  
Prayer Minister: Chris Wyant  
Fellowship: Karen, Pam and Joyce

**SERVING NEXT WEEK (3/18/18)**

Greeters: Maryanne Milller and Joel Warren  
Ushers: Ron and Marguerite Miller  
Scripture Reader: Ron Salyer  
Sunday School: Pam Althouse  
Counters: Elly Stempien and Bill Sutherland  
Nursery: Michele Covert & Trish deMontford  
Door Greeter: Matt Fitch  
Prayer Minister: Stacy Wyant  
Fellowship: Laura and Amos Hammond and Trish deMontford

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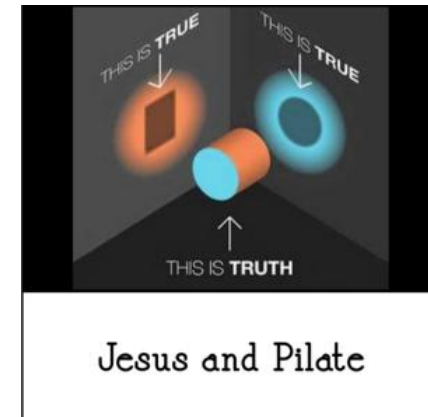
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