

# **FLAME OF FAITH** UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday, September 17, 2023    †    10:30 am Worship

## Welcome

### \* Opening Song

Gather Us In (Marty Haugen)

TFWS # 2236

## Time of 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 temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the  
kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

## Passing of the Peace

## Offering

### Doxology

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH # 95

### \* Song of the Day

Lord You Give the Great Commission (Jeffrey  
Rowthorn)

UMH # 584

## Announcements

## Scripture

Luke 10:1-12

## Message

No Coat, No Shoes, No Problem

Pastor Sara  
McManus

### \* Closing Song

Here I am Lord (Dan Schutte)

UMH # 593

### \* Benediction

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\* Please stand, as you able

TFWS – Small Black hymnal

UMH – Large Blue hymnal

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## Lord, You Give the Great Commission

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Lord, You give the great commission; Heal the sick and preach the word.  
Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go unheard,  
help us witness to Your purpose with renewed integrity.

With the Spirit's gifts empower us. for the work of ministry

Lord, You call us to Your service; In My name baptize and teach.  
That the world may trust Your promise, life abundant meant for each,  
Give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community

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Lord, You make the common holy: This my body, This my blood,  
Let us all for earth's true glory, daily lift life heavenward,  
Asking that the world around us share Your children's liberty.

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Lord, You show us love's true measure: Father, what they do, forgive  
Yet we hoard as private treasure all that You so freely give  
May Your care and mercy lead us to a just society.

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Lord, You bless with words assuring; I am with you to the end.  
Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as You intend,  
And amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity.

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Words: Jeffery Rowthon, 1978 (Lk. 9:2; Mt. 28:19-20; Lk. 23:34)  
Music: Cyril V. Taylor, 1941

1. Here in this place, new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away,  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings, brought here to you in the light of this  
day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.

2. We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry, we are the old who yearn for your face,  
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry, called to be light to the whole human race.  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty, gather us in, the proud and the strong;  
give us a heart so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.

3. Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth,  
here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew, be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you;  
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

4. Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away,  
but here in this place the new light is shining, now is the Kingdom, now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own;  
gather us in all people together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

WORDS: Marty Haugen (Matt. 5:13)

MUSIC (GATHER US IN): Marty Haugen

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# The Mission of the Seventy-Two

## Luke 10:1-12

10 After this the Lord appointed seventy-two<sup>[a]</sup> others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. <sup>2</sup> He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup> Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup> Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup> Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ <sup>6</sup> And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup> Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. <sup>8</sup> Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup> cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’<sup>[b]</sup> <sup>10</sup> But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup> ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’<sup>[c]</sup> <sup>12</sup> I tell you, on that day it will be more tolerable for Sodom than for that town.

## Here I Am, Lord

John Michael Talbot (1997)

UMH #593

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

### **Chorus:**

Here I am, Lord; is it I, Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord if you lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them; they turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my words to them. Whom shall I send? (*Chorus*)

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will send the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide 'til their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (*Chorus*)

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