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UNITED METHODIST

# Open-Mouthed Tourists

Face to Face with Jesus

Sunday, November 13, 2022  
Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost  
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## WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

### Prelude

*Sinfonia from Wir danken dir, Gott*

Arr. Hal Hopson  
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### Introit

*O Worship the Lord*

Arr. Donald Moore  
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### Welcome

### † Opening Hymn

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

TFWS 2191

1. Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm has bound the restless wave,  
who bid the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep:  
O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.
2. O Savior, whose almighty word the wind and waves submissive heard,  
who walked upon the foaming deep, and calm amid its rage did sleep:  
O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.
3. O Holy Spirit, who did brood upon the chaos wild and rude,  
and bid its angry tumult cease, and gave, for fierce confusion, peace:  
O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.
4. O Trinity of love and power, all travelers guard in danger's hour;  
from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them wheresoe'er they go;  
thus evermore shall rise to thee glad praise from air and land and sea.

### Blessing for Children

### Prayers of the People

*A Pastor will begin a time of prayer and name those for whom our congregation is praying.  
Online Worshipers may type prayer requests in the Live Chat, taking care for privacy.*

### Pastoral 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.

### Prayer Response

*Amen*

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## WE HEAR OF THE LOVE OF CHRIST

### Scriptures

Luke 21:5-19 (CEB)

Some people were talking about the temple, how it was decorated with beautiful stones and ornaments dedicated to God. Jesus said, “As for the things you are admiring, the time is coming when not even one stone will be left upon another. All will be demolished.”

They asked him, “Teacher, when will these things happen? What sign will show that these things are about to happen?”

Jesus said, “Watch out that you aren’t deceived. Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I’m the one!’ and ‘It’s time!’ Don’t follow them. When you hear of wars and rebellions, don’t be alarmed. These things must happen first, but the end won’t happen immediately.”

Then Jesus said to them, “Nations and kingdoms will fight against each other. There will be great earthquakes and wide-scale food shortages and epidemics. There will also be terrifying sights and great signs in the sky. But before all this occurs, they will take you into custody and harass you because of your faith. They will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will provide you with an opportunity to testify. Make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance. I’ll give you words and wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to counter or contradict. You will be betrayed by your parents, brothers and sisters, relatives, and friends. They will execute some of you. Everyone will hate you because of my name. Still, not a hair on your heads will be lost. By holding fast, you will gain your lives.

### Scriptural Response

Liturgist: The Word of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

### Anthem

*Joy in the Morning*

Natalie Sleeth  
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### Message

*Open-Mouthed Tourists*

Rev. Bob Rhodes

## WE RESPOND TO THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

### Response to the Word

### Invitation to the Offering

### Offertory

*Allen Gott in der Hoh sei Ehr*

G. Philip Teleman  
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### † Doxology

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH 94

**Prayer of Confession** - Liturgist

**All:** We bow before you, O Lord, to acknowledge our failings. We ask forgiveness: for words spoken in cruelty, for behavior that tears down, for failing the ministries of your church, for preferring temporal wealth to riches in your Spirit. Forgive us, we pray, and lead us into fullness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

One: Surely God is our salvation. Place your trust in God and do not be afraid, for the Lord is our strength and our salvation. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**All:** In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

## WE FOLLOW CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

† **Closing Hymn**

*Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

UMH 731

1. Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God;  
God, whose word cannot be broken, formed thee for his own abode.  
On the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?  
With Salvation's walls surrounded, thou mayst smile at all thy foes.
2. See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,  
well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove.  
Who can faint while such a river ever will their thirst assuage?  
Grace which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.
3. Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear  
for a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near!  
Thus deriving from our banner light by night and shade by day,  
safe we feed upon the manna which God gives us when we pray.
4. Blest inhabitants of Zion, washed in our Redeemer's blood;  
Jesus, whom our souls rely on, makes us monarchs, priests to God.  
Us, by his great love, he raises, rulers over self to reign,  
and as priests his solemn praises we for thankful offering bring.

† **Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Postlude in C*

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