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| Prelude   | <i>Prayer of Notre-Dame</i><br>Narmina Aliyeva   | L. Boëllmann                         |
| Passing of the Peace*   |  | Rev. Lou Seipel                      |
| Call to Worship*  |  | *Rise in body or spirit              |
| What do we need?  |  |                                      |
| <b>We need this community of faith.</b>   |  |                                      |
| What do we need?  |  |                                      |
| <b>A place of safety, where we are of one heart and mind in Jesus.</b>  |  |                                      |
| What do we need?  |  |                                      |
| <b>A community that provides for those who are in need.</b>   |  |                                      |
| What do we need?  |  |                                      |
| <b>To proclaim Jesus as the risen Christ, and to spread grace wherever we go.</b>   |  |                                      |
| Opening Hymn*   | <i>O Church of God, United</i>   | UMH #547                             |
|   | <i>Pew Pocket Prayer cards will be collected by the pastors during this piece.</i>   |                                      |
|   | <b>O church of God, united to serve one common Lord,<br/>Proclaim to all one message, with hearts in glad accord.<br/>Christ ever goes before us; we follow day by day<br/>With strong and eager footsteps along the upward way.</b>                       |                                      |
|   | <b>From every land and nation the ordered ranks appear;<br/>To serve one valiant leader they come from far and near.<br/>They chant their one confession, they praise one living Lord,<br/>And place their sure dependence upon his saving word.</b>       |                                      |
|   | <b>Though creeds and tongues may differ, they speak, O Christ, of thee;<br/>And in thy loving spirit we shall one people be.<br/>Lord, may our faithful service and singleness of aim<br/>Proclaim to all the power of thy redeeming name.</b>             |                                      |
|   | <b>May thy great prayer be answered that we may all be one,<br/>Close bound, by love united in thee, God's blessed Son:<br/>To bring a single witness, to make the pathway bright,<br/>That souls which grope in darkness may find the one true light.</b> |                                      |
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| Scripture Reading   | Psalm 133  | Rev. Dom Short Mejia                 |
| Special Music   | <i>I'm Gonna Sing</i><br>Children's Choir  | arr. Audrey Snyder                   |
| Children's Moments  |  | Rev. Lou Seipel                      |
| <i>After the conclusion of today's Children's Moments, children 4 years old-3<sup>rd</sup> grade are invited to attend Children's Church in South Fellowship Hall until the end of the worship service. Nursery care for ages 0-3 yrs. will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Please see an usher for assistance.</i> |  |                                      |

Season of Prayer  
Silent Prayer  
Pastoral Prayer  
The Lord's Prayer  
A Covenant Prayer

Rev. Dom Short Mejia  
  
  
  
  
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**I am no longer my own but thine.  
Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.  
Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let me be laid aside for thee,  
exalted for thee, or brought low by thee.  
Let me have all things, let me have nothing.  
I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal.  
And now, O glorious and blessed Creator, Son and Holy Spirit,  
thou are mine, and I am thine. So be it. Amen**

*Prayer by John Wesley*

Offering in Ministry and Gifts  
Offertory Music

Rev. Dom Short Mejia  
CCLI #5081710

*The Twenty-First Time*  
Tim Berridge & Friends

Doxology\* *Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow*

UMH #94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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Offertory Prayer\*

**God of joy, we offer our gifts this day, as we reflect on the wisdom of your Word. Jesus urges us to hold onto him, to stay connected to his example, presence, and the fulfillment he brings. Help us abide in him through love, obeying his commandment to love one another. May our joy be sustained in acts of service, healing, and selfless generosity. Let your kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen**

New Testament Reading *Acts 4:32-35* Rev. Dom Short Mejia

Sermon "We Are the Church" Rev. Lou Seipel

Closing Hymn\* *Jesus, United by Thy Grace* UMH #561, verses 1-4

**Jesus, united by thy grace  
And each to each endeared,  
With confidence we seek thy face  
And know our prayer is heard.**

**Help us to help each other, Lord,  
Each other's cross to bear;  
Let all their friendly aid afford,  
And feel each other's care.**

**Up unto thee, our living Head,  
Let us in all things grow;  
Till thou hast made us free indeed  
And spotless here below.**

**Touched by the lodestone of thy love,  
Let all our hearts agree,**

And ever toward each other move,  
And ever move toward thee.

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Benediction\*

*We Are the Church*

UMH#558, verse 1

I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together!

All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes, we're the church together!

The church is not a building, the church is not a steeple, the church is not a resting place, the church is a people.

I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together!

All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes, we're the church together!

Postlude

*Toccata*  
Narmina Aliyeva

J. Pachelbel

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### Announcements

**Altar Flowers:** Today's altar flowers are provided by Beth Kellogg, in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Fultz.

**Livestreamed Service:** The 10 am service is being livestreamed on our YouTube channel.

**Events today:** Early service, 9am • REC class, 9am • Regular service, 10am • Hospitality, 11am • Jubilee Ringers, 11:30am • Worthington Chamber Orchestra rehearsal, 1pm • Columbus Rings, 6pm • Impact, 6pm

**Weekly Offering (electronically):** Go to <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z2ZG/home>

**Refresh. Explore. Commit (REC) Classes:** Want to learn more about what Worthington UMC does in our community? Looking to brush up on your understanding of Communion? Ready to take the next step toward membership at Worthington UMC? Your pastors are excited to offer a new way to grow in your faith through our REC classes. This offering is for those looking to brush up on the fundamentals of our faith, who are curious about Christianity in general or Worthington UMC in particular, or who are exploring membership at Worthington UMC. Classes begin again today. Contact Rev. Dom ([dominic@worthingtonumc.com](mailto:dominic@worthingtonumc.com)) for more information.

**Outreach Programs at WUMC:** Elizabeth Circle is sponsoring an Outreach Program led by Aura Whittaker on **Monday, April 15 at 6:30pm** in the Dixon Lounge. This is open to anyone from WUWIF or WUMC who would like to learn more about our Outreach Ministries and Second Mile Giving Options.

**Anti-Semitism Discussion:** There will be an anti-Semitism discussion held at Beth Tikvah Synagogue on Thursday, April 18 at 7pm. Come learn about the rise in anti-Semitism and why we should be concerned. Please contact the church office to reserve your place at the discussion.

**The Carpenter's Helping Hands Spring Service Day – Saturday, April 27:** This is for those needing assistance with yard work and simple household chores. Volunteers are also needed. Both volunteers and those in need of help should contact Eric Oldenburg at 614-433-0862 or [ericoldenburg6@gmail.com](mailto:ericoldenburg6@gmail.com). There will be a Carpenter's Helping Hands table in the Ministry Hallway after the service on Sunday, April 21 for signups.

**Red Cross Blood Drive:** Our next WUMC blood drive is on April 25 from 12noon to 6pm. There is an urgent need for blood and platelets. To schedule an appointment, call 800-733-2767 or go to <http://www.redcrossblood.org>

**Next Week's Lectionary:** Acts 3:12-19; Psalms 4; 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48

**Keep us in the loop!** Please contact our pastors with pastoral concerns, including hospitalizations, births and deaths. Contact Dom at [dominic@worthingtonumc.com](mailto:dominic@worthingtonumc.com) or Lou at [lou@worthingtonumc.com](mailto:lou@worthingtonumc.com)

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