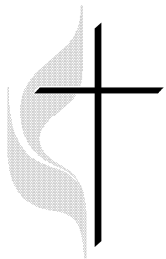


Mt. Pocono United Methodist Church

Combined Worship Service



*Fourth Sunday
After the Epiphany
January 31st, 2021*

Mt. Pocono United Methodist Church

**You are invited to stand as we praise God.*

PRELUDE “Lord I Lift Your Name On High” **Praise Team Verse**

Lord I lift Your name on high
Lord I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us

Chorus

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MUSIC “We Have Come into His House”

We Have Come Into His House
And Gathered In His Name To Worship Him;
We Have Come Into His House
And Gathered In His Name To Worship Him;
We Have Come Into His House
And Gathered In His Name To Worship Christ The Lord;
Worship Him, Christ The Lord.

Let's For-get About Ourselves
And Concentrate On Him, And Worship Him.
Let's Forget About Ourselves
And Concentrate On Him, And Worship Him.
Let's Forget About Ourselves
And Concentrate On Him, And Worship Christ The Lord.
Worship Him, Christ The Lord.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Come, let us praise the Lord!

P: We praise God with our whole heart!

L: God's works are great!

P: Open our hearts and spirits to see your works, O Lord!

L: Come, let us worship the Lord who has saved us!

P: May our lives reflect the wondrous love of God that all may see and know of God's greatness. AMEN

***OPENING HYMN** "O How I Love Jesus" *UMH 170*

1. There is a name I love to hear,
I love to sing its worth;
it sounds like music in my ear,
the sweetest name on earth.

Refrain:

O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
because he first loved me!

2. It tells me of a Savior's love,
who died to set me free;
it tells me of his precious blood,
the sinner's perfect plea. **[Refrain]**

3. It tells of one whose loving heart
can feel my deepest woe;
who in each sorrow bears a part
that none can bear below. **[Refrain]**

***OPENING PRAYER (UNISON)**

Open our hearts and spirits this day to hear the great good news of your power and presence with all your people. Fill our hearts with rejoicing as the words are proclaimed in song and story. Enliven us and remind us through the magnificent words of the prophets, through the ministry and love of Jesus Christ. AMEN.

REFLECTIVE O Come To The Altar

Praise Team

Verse 1

Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin
Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well
Jesus is calling

Chorus

O come to the altar
The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Verse 2

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling

Bridge

Oh what a Savior
Isn't he wonderful
Sing alleluia Christ is risen
Bow down before him
For he is Lord of all
Sing alleluia Christ is risen

Verse 3

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him,
all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye
heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Amen.

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS & OFFERTORY PRAYER

(UNISON) Lord, my Rock and Redeemer, thank you that
you are infinitely, consistently, and perfectly wise. You have
said that whatever we give is acceptable if we give it eagerly.
Help us to bring our offerings with an eager heart, not as a
comparison with others but as an act of worship to you.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

MINISTRY IN MUSIC

Bell Choir

“I Love to Tell the Story” arr. By Will Gross

SCRIPTURE

Mark 1: 21-28

New Testament

MESSAGE

Learn from Jesus

Pastor Bob Amundsen

Jesus Drives Out an Impure Spirit

²¹ They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, Jesus
went into the synagogue and began to teach. ²² The people were
amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had
authority, not as the teachers of the law. ²³ Just then a man in
their synagogue who was possessed by an impure spirit cried
out, ²⁴ “What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you
come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of
God!”

²⁵ “Be quiet!” said Jesus sternly. “Come out of him!” ²⁶ The
impure spirit shook the man violently and came out of him with
a shriek.

²⁷ The people were all so amazed that they asked each other,
“What is this? A new teaching—and with authority! He even
gives orders to impure spirits and they obey him.” ²⁸ News
about him spread quickly over the whole region of Galilee.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONSE(S) Lord in your mercy; hear our prayers, Lord for
this joy, hear our praise

*CLOSING HYMN “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” *UMH133*

1. What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain:

Leaning, leaning,
safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

2. O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
O how bright the path grows from day to day,
leaning on the everlasting arms.
(Refrain)

3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
leaning on the everlasting arms.
(Refrain)

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE “My Life Is In You” Praise Team**

Chorus

My life is in You Lord
My strength is in You Lord
My hope is in You Lord
In You it's in You
My life is in You Lord
My strength is in You Lord
My hope is in You Lord
In You it's in You

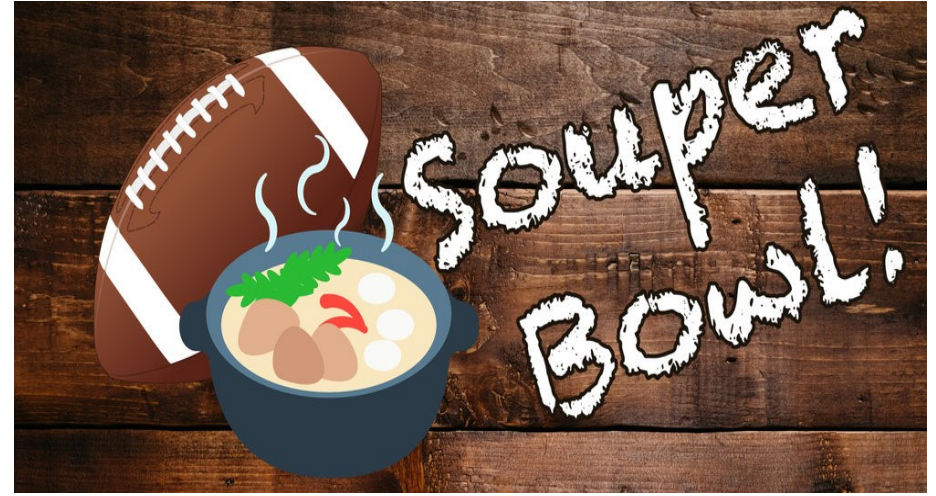
Verse

I will praise You
With all of my life
I will praise You
With all of my strength
With all of my life
With all of my strength
All of my hope is in You

Ending

In You

"Souper" Bowl Sale - Pick Up February 7th



We are having the super bowl soup sale again this year! Due to COVID, we have to make adjustments to how we are running the soup sale. This year we will be taking **advanced orders only**. The price \$8.00 per quart. We are offering 4 types of soup: Chicken noodle, Chicken Corn Chowder, Chili, and a Vegetable Soup (no meat). Pick up and pay for your order on Friday, February 5th between 1-6 p.m. If you would like to place an order for soup please call the church office or [Click Here](#) to order online.

All orders must be in **by January 31st**.

Thank you in advance for your support!