

loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Rev. Amanda Davis & Congregation
Leader: Hear the good news... ...in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**
Leader and People: *Glory to God. Amen.*

SUNG RESPONSE Because He Lives (Refrain) UMH 364
Refrain: **Because he lives, I can face tomorrow;
because he lives, all fear is gone, because I know he holds the future,
and life is worth the living just because he lives.**

TIME FOR CHILDREN (Video) Courtney Hutchins

*SCRIPTURE Acts 9:1-19a Rev. Amanda Davis
The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE Changed by Encountering Rev. Amanda Davis
the Risen Christ

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Amanda Davis

*HYMN OF PREPARATION: UMH 369 Blessed Assurance
**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.**
Refrain: **This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.**
**Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.**
(sing refrain)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Rev. Amanda Davis
Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Leader: Lift up your hearts!
People: **We lift them up to the Lord!**
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God!
People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

Leader ...and so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
Leader and People: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!**

Leader:...as we proclaim the mystery of the faith:
Leader and People: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**
Leader: ...all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.
Leader and People: **Amen.**

COMMUNION MUSIC: I'm Free by Jay Rouse
Ensemble

So long I'd searched for life's meaning, enslaved by the world and my greed.
Then the door of my prison was opened by love, and the ransom was paid - I was free!
I'm free from the fear of tomorrow, I'm free from the guilt of the past.
O I've traded my shackles for a glorious song, I'm free, praise the Lord, free at last!
I am free from the guilt that I carried: from that dull, empty, life, I'm set free.
For when I met Jesus, he made me complete. He forgot the foolish child I used to be.
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O I've traded my shackles for a glorious song. I'm free, praise the Lord, free at last!

*THE LORD'S PRAYER IN SONG by Albert Hay Malotte

Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*STEP FORWARD IN FAITH

Rev. Amanda Davis

*BENEDICTION

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*BENEDICTION RESPONSE: Everybody Ought to Know

*Refrain: Everybody ought to know, everybody ought to know,
everybody ought to know who Jesus is. (sing refrain)*

He's the Lily of the Valley; he's the bright and morning star.

He's the fairest of ten thousand. Everybody ought to know. (sing refrain)

POSTLUDE:

The Stars and Stripes Forever

by John Philip Sousa

*Please stand as you are able.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar today are given in honor of Maxine Powell
on her 95th birthday by the One in the Lord Class.

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