

**Edgerton UMC: Making Christ Known
TWELVETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

August 7, 2016

9:00 am

(*) Please Stand as Able

Bold Print - Please Say In Unison

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We begin with announcements of the ministry and mission of the church. Please sign and pass the black Welcome Pad located at the ends of the pews along the centermost aisle.

OFFERINGS OF PRAISE

We come to God's presence joyfully and humbly, preparing ourselves to receive God's word.

PRELUDE *Shine, Jesus, Shine*, Graham Kendrick
Nancy Dickinson, Organist/Keyboard

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: We praise you!

**All: Not because we are worthy
But because you are worthy.**

L: We praise you!

**All: Not just with our voices today
But with our living everyday.**

L: We praise you!

**All: Not because it please us
But because it pleases you**

***OPENING PRAYER**

Light of God, illumine the path that leads us to healing, hope and salvation. Glory of God, fill this place and expose any darkness that stalks our souls. Light of God, shine with such brightness that we marvel in awe. Glory of God, fill each one present today with the Holy Spirit. Light of God, we welcome you to this place and ask that you would remain with us. Amen

HYMN "Open My Eyes That I May See" UMH 454

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN/ PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

CALL TO CONFESSION

Confession is a spiritual discipline that leads us into a deeper relationship with the Holy. As we approach God in community in Confession, we open our hearts to the hearing of God's word.

Call to Reconciliation

L: We continue to believe that we must earn our way into God's heart. But God's grace is given to each of us, for all of us, freely, unconditionally, always. Let us open our lives to this mercy as we pray:

L: We have not believed you or trusted in your powers.

All: Lord, help our unbelief.

L: We have stained our souls by our action and inaction.

All: Cleanse us, Lord.

L: We are broken by disease, bruised by the sins of others.

All: Heal us, Lord.

L: We ignore your call to center our lives in you, and so are deaf to the hopes and cries of the poor, the sick, the needy, and the earth.

All: Ground us Lord!

Silent Time of Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

L: When we confess our sinful ways, God abundantly pardons. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are all forgiven.

Glory to God!

OFFERINGS OF WORSHIP

With confession and the acceptance of forgiveness we are better attuned to hear God's word.

READING FROM CORINTHIANS 1 Corinthians 10:6–13

READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF Matthew 11:28–30

MESSAGE *God Won't Give You More Than You Can Handle*

HYMN "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" UMH 526

OFFERINGS OF THANKSGIVING

Having received the Word, we affirm our trust.

THE OFFERING

Special Music *Lord, Have Mercy*, Swee Hong Lim

***Doxology** "Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow" UMH 94

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

L: God loves it when the giver delights in the giving.

Let's pray together:

P: God of grace, it is our delight and our devotion to give these

