

November 26, 2023

2023 Stewardship Campaign
Source: Adam Hamilton's Enough:
Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity

Welcome and Announcements:

David Tom

Music to Prepare Our Hearts:

Michael Snyder

"We Gather Together"

*John Turner Tune: Kremser Traditional Netherlands Melody
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Call to Worship:

Jeri Dumholt

Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon the earth.

People: Let all the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Leader: The earth has brought forth its increase; may God, our own God, bless us.

All: Let all the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Amen

Opening Hymn:

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

UMH # 92

Opening Prayer

Jeri Dumholt

Most gracious God, you crown the year with your goodness.

We praise you that you have ever fulfilled your promise that, while earth remains, seedtime and harvest shall not cease. We bless you for the order and constancy of nature, for the beauty of earth and sky and sea, and for the providence that year by year supplies our need. We thank you for your blessing on the work of those who plowed the soil and sowed the seed, and have now gathered in the fruits of the earth. And with our thanksgiving for these blessings, accept our praise, O God, for the eternal riches of your grace in Christ our Lord; to whom, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, be all glory and honor and worship, for ever and ever.

Amen.

A Time of Prayer

Pastoral Prayer
Time of Quiet for Personal Prayer

Pastor Philip

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. Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading #1 Proverbs 11:24-25

Jeri Dumholt

One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

Scripture Reading #2 1 Timothy 6:17-21

Jeri Dumholt

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life. Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge, which some have professed and in so doing have departed from the faith. Grace be with you all.

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God

Hymn of Reflection:

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

UMH# 694

Message:

“Defined by Generosity“

Pastor Philip

We Share Our Gifts:

Pastor Philip

Music During Offering:

Choir

"Where He Leads Me"

Stewart Landon

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Doxology:

UMH #95

"Praise God From Whom all Blessings Flow"

Closing Hymn:

"Let there be Peace on Earth"

UMH #431

Benediction:

Music for Going Forth:

Michael Snyder

"O Worship the King"

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