**Updates and Announcements**

**Thank you for worshiping with us at Bethel United Methodist Church! We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us this morning.**

**This Week**

**Tuesday –** Prayer Meeting at 9:30 am via Zoom

Lenten Book Study - *Words of Life* at 7pm via Zoom

**Upcoming:**

Midday Community Holy Week Services at York Place each day 3/29 to 4/2 at noon.

Maundy Thursday Service 4/1/21 at 6pm at Bethel.

Good Friday Service 4/2/21 at 6pm at Philadelphia.

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**March 21, 2021**

**GATHERING**

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: God’s love for us is great!

**People: God is like a loving parent, who watches over us.**

Leader: God’s mercy for us is great!

**People: God reaches out to us in healing patience and peace.**

Leader: Praise be to God who has called us here.

**People: Praise be to God whose love and mercy is given to us. AMEN**

Opening Prayer

We acknowledge you, O God, as creator and as liberator. You are the One who brought the captives out of Egypt and delivered them from the oppression of slavery.  You gave laws which shaped how people were to relate to you, to each other. You asked us to worship only you, knowing that whatever was put in your place would become the priority of people's lives. Remind us today of your steadfast love revealed so clearly in the new commandment of love which Jesus disclosed with his life and, as we especially remember in this period of Lent, with his death.  Speak to us anew as we offer this prayer and our worship in Jesus' name and for his sake.  **Amen.**

Special Music*Trust and Obey*

\*Affirmation Of Faith

 **I believe in God the Father Almighty,**

 **Creator of Heaven and Earth.**

 **I believe in Jesus Christ, His only son, our Lord,**

 **Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

 **Born of the Virgin Mary,**

 **Suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

 **Was crucified, died and was buried;**

 **He descended to the dead.**

 **On the third day, He rose again;**

 **He ascended into Heaven.**

 **Is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

 **And will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

 **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy catholic church,**

 **The communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the**

 **Resurrection of the body, and of life everlasting. AMEN.**

Response: *Gloria Patri* Chris Wade

**PROCLAMATION**

Hymn *This is Where Children Belong*

Time With Children

Scripture Reading  Matthew 15:1-9

Special Music

Scripture Reading Exodus 20:1-21

Sermon *A Question of Honor Rev. Emily Sutton*

**RESPONSE**

Prayers of the People

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.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Special Music *Sweet Hour of Prayer*

**SENDING FORTH**

\*The Benediction

\* The Postlude