Traditional Order of Worship May 14, 2023 Worship Series: Rise Up Message: Sacrifice

PreludeIn the Garden

Franconia Musica

Welcome/Announcements Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Crown Him with Many Crowns

*Call to Worship

Pastor: Come, God gathers us for worship,

like a mother hen gathers her brood under her wings.

People: In love, God saves and supports us,

teaching us the way we should go.

Pastor: Brothers and sisters, come and worship!

For we are chosen people and precious in God's sight--

God's very own family!

People: Let us offer sacrifices of worship and praise!

UMH 327

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn

Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: Gracious God,

We hear Your call to witness to the eternal love of Christ.

Remind us that we are responsible for caring for each other.

We are called to lift up rather than tear down;

to support rather than abandon,

to reach out when others have turned away.

Give us hearts of love that, in all places and times,

we may be a witness to the hope that is found in Jesus Christ. AMEN.

Children's Moment Linda Biscardo

Mother's Day Litany Franconia Players

Prayers of People Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

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.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom,

And the power and the glory. Forever. AMEN.

Offering Hymn of Promise Evelyn Lucas

*Doxology UMH 95

Praise God from Whom all Blessings flow!
Praise Him all creatures here below!
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts!
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! AMEN

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

New Testament Reading Romans 12:1-2; 1 Peter 2:4-5 Jordan Biscardo

Gospel Reading Matthew 16:24-25 Jordan Biscardo

*Hymn My Faith Looks Up to Thee vs. 1-2 UMH 452

Message Sacrifice Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

*Affirmation of Faith The World Methodist Social Affirmation

We believe in God, creator of the world and of all people; And in Jesus Christ, incarnate among us, who died and rose again; And in the Holy Spirit, present with us to guide, strengthen, and comfort. We believe; God, help our unbelief.

We rejoice in every sign of God's kingdom:

In the upholding of human dignity and community; In every expression of love, justice, and reconciliation; In each act of self-giving on behalf of others;

In the abundance of God's gifts entrusted to us that all may have enough; In all responsible use of the earth's resources.

Glory be to God on high; and on earth, peace.

We confess our sin, individual and collective, by silence or action:

Through the violation of human dignity based on race, class, age, sex, nation, or faith;

Through the exploitation of people because of greed and indifference;

Through the misuse of power in personal, communal, national, and international life;

Through the search for security by those military and economic forces that threaten human existence;

Through the abuse of technology which endangers the earth and all life upon it.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

We commit ourselves individually and as a community to the way of Christ:

To take up the cross;

To seek abundant life for all humanity;

To struggle for peace with justice and freedom;

To risk ourselves in faith, hope, and love, praying that God's kingdom may come.

Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven. AMEN.

*Hymn The Summons TFWS 2130

*Benediction Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Postlude Morning Has Broken Franconia Musica