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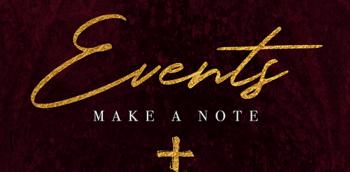


REMEMBERING HIS SACRIFICE

The 4th Sunday in Lent Disability Awareness Sunday



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Monday Methodists 9am Knitting Circle 10am Council Meeting 7pm

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Prayer 12noon Pastor's Office Hours 2pm-4pm

Thursday, March 23, 2023

Pastor's Office Hours 10am-12Noon Lenten Bible Study (In Person) 7pm Friday, March 24, 2023

Lenten Bible Study (Online) 7pm http://bit.ly/CUMCSundayServices

GREETING

Once you lived in darkness.

Now the light of God has shone upon us.

Find what is pleasing to God and follow God's ways.

The acts of darkness are left behind as we journey to God's light.

Thanks be to God who gives us the light.

Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your light of salvation. AMEN.

PRAYER

Source of Light, God of great mercy and love, we come to you this day seeking restoration of our sight. Clear away our blindness, and give us a new vision of all that we can accomplish in your name. Give us strength and confidence to truly witness to your abiding love and faithfulness. For we offer this prayer in Jesus' Name. AMEN.



When the storms of life are raging, stand by me (stand by me); when the storms of life are raging, stand by me (stand by me). When the world is tossing me like a ship upon the sea, thou who rulest wind and water, stand by me (stand by me).

In the midst of tribulation, stand by me (stand by me); in the midst of tribulation, stand by me (stand by me). When the host of hell assail, and my strength begins to fail, thou who never lost a battle, stand by me (stand by me).

In the midst of faults and failures, stand by me (stand by me); in the midst of faults and failures, stand by me (stand by me). When I do the best I can, and my friends misunderstand, thou who knowest all about me, stand by me (stand by me).

In the midst of persecution, stand by me (stand by me); in the midst of persecution, stand by me (stand by me). When my foes in battle array undertake to stop my way, thou who saved Paul and Silas, stand by me (stand by me).

When I'm growing old and feeble, stand by me (stand by me); when I'm growing old and feeble, stand by me (stand by me). When my life becomes a burden, and I'm nearing chilly Jordan, O thou Lily of the Valley, stand by me (stand by me).

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

SPECIAL MUSIC

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

The Old Rugged Cross

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On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame; and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me; for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above to bear it to dark Calvary.

In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, a wondrous beauty I see, for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died, to pardon and sanctify me.

To that old rugged cross I will ever be true, its shame and reproach gladly bear; then he'll call me some day to my home far away, where his glory forever I'll share.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Samuel 16:6-7 NRSV

⁶ When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely his anointed is now before the LORD." ⁷ But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him, for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart."

John 9:1-7 NRSV

¹ As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. ² His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" ³ Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. ⁴ We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work.

John 9:1-7 NRSV

⁵ As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." ⁶ When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, ⁷ saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see.

John 9:35-41 NRSV

when he found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" ³⁶ He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." ³⁷ Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." ³⁸ He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him.

John 9:35-41 NRSV

³⁹ Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see may see and those who do see may become blind." ⁴⁰ Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" ⁴¹ Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.



Open the Eyes of My Heart

Rev. Daein Park

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

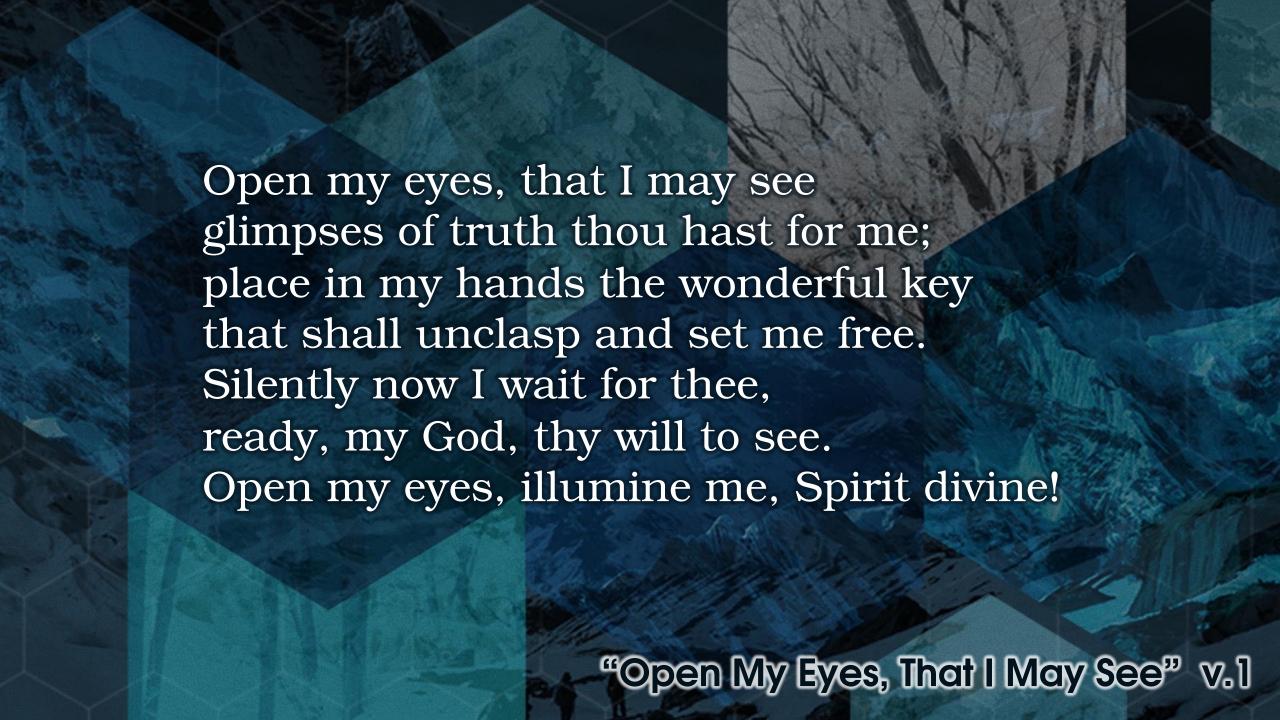
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

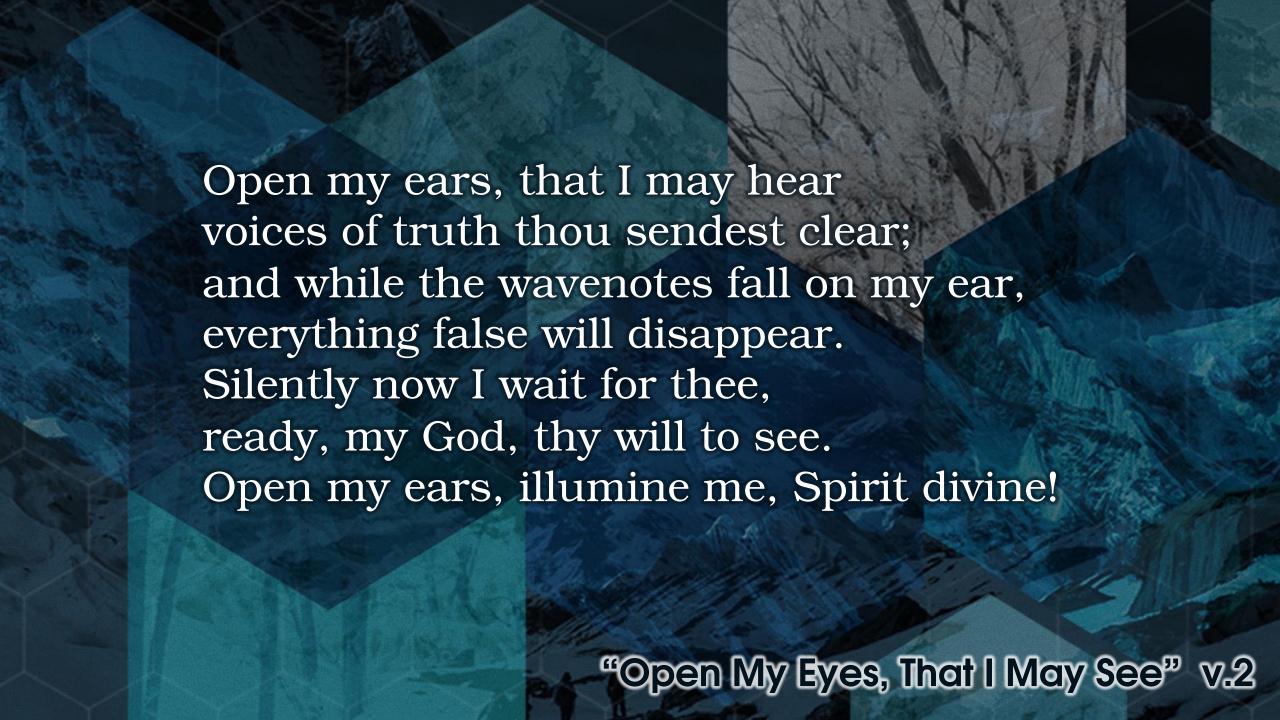
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

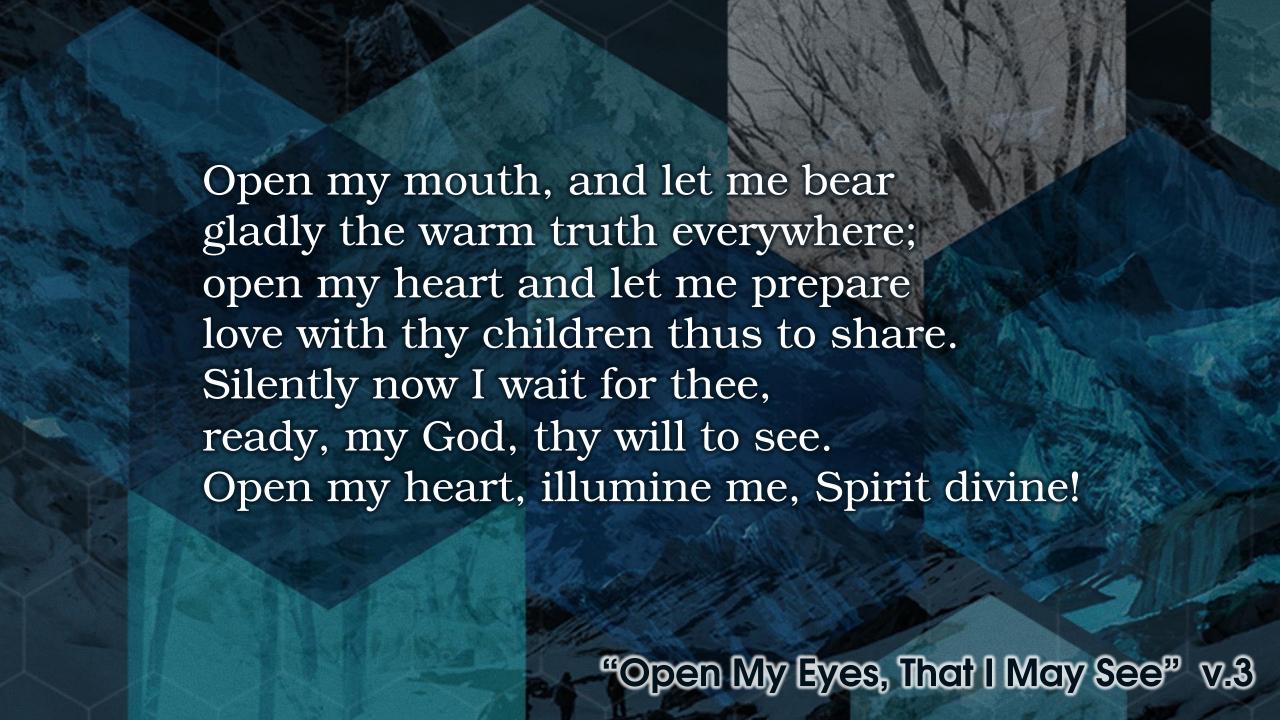
OFFERTORY PRAYER















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