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United Presbyterian Church 1701 E. Second Street Bloomington, IN 47401

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Jim Haverstock Guest Speaker

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS **Elder Allen Pease**

PRELUDE

Benjamin Watkins, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 100)

- Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Liturgist:
- Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing. **People:** Liturgist: Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
- Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. **People:**
- Liturgist: Give thanks to him, bless his name.
- **People:** For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

*Opening Hymn The Church's One Foundation #442

> PASSING OF THE PEACE (liturgist & congregation) Liturgist: Called to live as children of light, let us build one another up as we share signs of peace, and words of love. Let us share signs of Christ's peace: The Peace of the Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

MUSIC for MEDITATION Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples of the Lord Members of the UPC Ouartet

CALL TO CONFESSION

Thus says the Lord our God: "I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out the scattered sheep, so I will seek out my people." Trusting that God is indeed seeking us, let us confess our sin together.

PRAYER of CONFESSION (In Unison with Liturgist))

Shepherding God, you have called to us, but we have not answered. You have sought us out, but we have continued to wander. You have tenderly gathered us together and cared for us, but we have not extended that same care and mercy to others. Forgive us. Remind us. Teach us. Set us free from sin that we might turn toward your love and justice for the whole world. Guide us so that, tentative step after tentative step, we may walk your way. Amen.

ASSURANCE of PARDON

- Thus says the Lord our God: "I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will Liturgist: make them lie down. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak." The relentless grace of Jesus Christ always finds and forgives us.
- Thanks be to God! People:





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Elder Don Root, liturgist



Psalm 24:1, Ephesians 4:28, II Corinthians 9:11 – Liturgist James 2: 14 - 17 – Speaker Pastor: The word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God**

SERMON *Do More with More* Jim Haverstock

Hymn Called as Partners in Christ's Service #343

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH --- The Apostle's Creed (traditional) led by James Haverstok

I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Gloria Patri. #579

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER – Elder Don Root

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

CALL TO OFFERING

Offertory

**Doxology* #592 Prayer of Dedication – Elder Don Root

*Closing Hymn Take My Life #391

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Elder Don Root POSTLUDE

I'll Fly Away

Dr. Benjamin Watkins, piano

*Please stand if you are able

UPC Prayer List - Email requests to: <u>upcbloomington@gmail.com</u>.

Kathleen Olds Anita Steverson

His Eyes Mission in Honduras led by the Colby's

Nyaka AIDS Orphans Project in Uganda led by Jackson Kaguri

Our military men and women around the world

The people of Georgia, Lebanon, Nigeria, Middle East, Sudan and Ukraine

Our military men and women stationed around the world

The faculty and staff of Monroe County United Ministries

Lexington Presbyterian Church is a Christ-centered, Spirit-filled, vibrant, growing community of faith. Our Church was organized in 1818 by a group of Scotch-Irish Presbyterian families. In 1819 Rev. John M. Dickey was installed as the first minister. By 1844 the Church had been relocated and rebuilt on the square in Lexington. Since that time, the Church has had a long and rich history. It has stood as a light in the community and as a testament to God's saving

grace. At Lexington Presbyterian, we seek to love our community and our world in a variety of ways. We actively support the Scott County Community Clearinghouse. We give yearly to Operation Christmas Child and Heifer International. We also provide financial support for an organization called Amigos for Christ that helps rural villages in Nicaragua install a clean water supply. We also support an organization called Centerstone which has a facility in Lexington at the Englishton Park property, a property under care of the Synod. This facility helps women who are battling addiction and living in dangerous environments. Each year we make sure all of the incoming Kindergarten students at Lexington Elementary School start off the school year on the right foot, with new shoes and a new bible. Continue to pray with us as we work to reach the lost, hurting and broken people in our community. We would greatly appreciate your prayers as we seek to be a light for Christ in those dark places. Rev. Aaron Flucke is pastor.



6 p.m., Wednesday, December 4, 2024 **Desserts for the auction are needed!** If you'd like to donate a homemade dessert, let Melanie or Allen know.





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