* **Postlude** "Awesome" Rich Mullins

* Members of the congregation stand if able.

Sanctuary altar flowers are provided by Mitch, Laurie, Ted, and Cori Babcock in memory of our fathers and grandfathers, Ray W. Babcock and Jacque M. Haines.

If you would like to order flowers in memory of loved ones, to celebrate an anniversary, or offer them to the Glory of God, please contact Kathy Fellows at 440-255-5899.

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Mentor United Methodist Church Chapel Order of Worship

Worship 7:30 PM

Thursday, June 13, 2019

The liturgical color is white, signifying the purity, holiness and virtue of Christ, as well as respect and reverence.

GATHERING

Prelude

"Give Thanks" Carol Haines, pianist

Henry Smith arr. Keveren

Lighting of the Candles

Presentation of God's Holy Word

Please sign and pass the attendance pad that you find at the end of each pew.

If you are joining us for the first time today, please complete the blue sheet.

Welcome and Announcements

"This is the day the LORD has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it."

Psalm 118:24

Don Humphrey, Liturgist

* Prayer (unison)

God, you are the same yesterday, today and forever. You are unchanging, and You are ever present. Jesus, we thank you for your Church, that you are the bridegroom. Thank you Holy Spirit, for apart from You we are powerless to be the Church. Father, Son and Holy Spirit, work in us today and in our tomorrows. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*Opening Hymn 92 vs. 1, 2, 5, 6 "For the Beauty of the Earth" DIX

Special Music "Blessings" Laura Story

Laurie Babcock and Corinne Babcock

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayer

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.

Presentation of Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory "How Great Thou Art" arr. Gary Lanier

Corinne Babcock, bass clarinet

* Doxology UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

* Hymn 363 "And Can It Be That I Should Gain" SAGINA

Scripture Reading Old Testament page 50 Exodus 2:23-25

New Testament page 141 Acts 20:17-38

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Kurt Landerholm

"Reflections of an Itinerant Pastor"

SENDING FORTH

* **Hymn 580** "Lead On, O King Eternal" LANCASHIRE

* Farewell with response

I thank you, the members and friends of the Mentor United Methodist Church, for the love and support you have shown me while I have ministered among you. I am grateful for the ways my leadership has been accepted; for your patience as I made mistakes. As I leave, I carry with me all that I have learned here.

We receive your thankfulness and accept that you now leave and enter into retirement. We express our gratitude for your time among us. Your influence for our journey on the path of Christ-centered discipleship will not leave us with your departure.

I accept your gratitude and trust that our time together and our parting are pleasing to God. I encourage your continuing ministry here and will pray for you and your new Lead Pastor, Rev. Sondra Snode.

Eternal God, whose steadfast love for us is from everlasting to everlasting, we give you thanks for cherished memories and commend one another into your care as we move in new directions. Keep us one in your love forever, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

^{*} Prayer of Dedication