

\*Standing as able or desired

\*\*GUEST, please place an information card in the offering or give it to an usher. Be sure to indicate any follow-up we can offer.

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

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### Signal Hill United Methodist Church

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*May 13, 2018*

*Sunday School 9:30 a.m.*

*Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREET ONE ANOTHER, MEET SOMEONE YOU DON'T KNOW

GATHERING MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

LITURGIST: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God,

**ALL:** let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

LITURGIST: Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**ALL:** To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever. Amen.

\*SONG: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" - UMH #64

ACOLYTE

OPENING PRAYER (unison) - For our mothers, who have given us life and love, that we may show them reverence and love, we pray to the Lord. For mothers, who have lost a child through death, that their faith may give them hope, and their family and friends support and console them, we pray to the Lord. For women, though without children of their own, who like mothers have nurtured and cared for us, we pray to the Lord. For mothers, who have been unable to be a source of strength, who have not responded to their children and have not sustained their families, we pray to the Lord. Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be

strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERING

\*\*Procession: "How Great Thou Art" - UMH #77

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison) - UMH #888

CHOIR ANTHEM: "Mighty to Save"

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS: Prayer Requests

Litany Response: "Lord, hear our prayer"

PRAYER of RECONCILIATION (unison) - O God, the Parent of our Lord Jesus Christ, and our Parent, you are to us both Father and Mother. We who are your children draw around your lotus feet to worship you. Your compassion is as the fragrance of the lotus. Though you are enthroned in the heavens, we may draw nigh to you, for your feet stand upon the earth where we humans dwell. We see your compassion in Jesus. Teach us that we belong to you and that you alone belong to us. And you are enough. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*SONG: "Be Blessed" - Screen

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 1

MESSAGE: "Be Blessed" - Rev. Arthur Francis

SONG: "To God Be the Glory" - UMH #98

ACOLYTE

CLOSING BLESSING

PASTOR: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen.

ALL: Amen.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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