

# BLESSED BLINDNESS

March 22, 2020



For the latest updates, and to stay connected throughout the week, check out this week's: [Visual Announcements \(Video\) \(PDF\)](#) [Meeting Rooms \(Full List PDF\)](#)

Have candle and lighter/match available if possible.  
Click on the corresponding links below to access videos, recordings, and print forms of the content for your worship-in-place experience. If you have difficulty accessing any of the content, please let Pastor Megan know. **THE PEACE OF CHRIST BE WITH YOU.**

**Prelude** ([Video](#)).....*Nothing Can Trouble*  
*Listen and center yourself for worship. If you are so moved, sing or hum along.*

**Call to Worship** BOW 424  
Jesus said: "I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink." **Let us act justly.**  
"I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing." **Let us love tenderly.**  
"I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." **Let us walk humbly with our God.**  
May we see Christ in one another, **that we may be healers and peacemakers in Christ's name.**

**Opening Prayer** WS17  
**A wilderness beckons us: a desert, a barren place, yet at place of blessing and discovery. Jesus, steady companion, accompany us, as we enter the hurtful places, the frightening places, the dangerous places deep within us. Jesus, our wise and well-traveled guide, lead us into this emptiness, where all will fall away, and we will have nothing but you. Walk with us through the valley of the shadow of death, where we shall be raised, and drink of deep springs. Amen.**

**\*Welcoming the Light of Christ**  
Light your candle(s) while singing / listening to symbolize the light of Christ in the world, in your life, and in your space.

**Opening Song** ([Video](#))([Text](#))([Text with Chords](#)).....*Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord*

**Passing of the Peace** *If you are with others, Pass the Peace in ways that do not require physical contact. For ideas [click here](#).*  
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

**Centering Song** ([Video](#))([Hymnal Page](#)).....*Open My Eyes That I May See*.....UMH #454

**Gospel Reading** ([Audio](#))([Video](#))([Text](#))..... John 9:1-33 CEB  
This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

**Good News for Kids** ([Bible story video](#)) ([Full Sunday School Lesson with Activities and Coloring Pages](#))

**Song** ([Video](#))([Text](#))([Text with Chords](#)).....*I'm Trading My Sorrow*

**Living in Faith Everyday** ([Audio](#)) ([Video](#)) ([Text](#)).....BLESSED BLINDNESS.....Chaplain Michael Rivera, Jr.

**Offertory** ([Video](#)) ([Hymnal Page](#)).....*Amazing Grace*.....UMH #378  
*The ministries of Good Shepherd continue during this time of physical isolation. To give online [click here](#). You can give by texting the dollar amount (\$X.XX) to 630-364-4154. You will receive a registration link the first time. Every time after that just enter the dollar amount. You can also mail a check if you so choose. If you would like an EFT form please contact the church office. Thank you for your giving.*  
[Special UMCOR Sunday Offering](#)

**Doxology** ([Hymn Scan](#)) ([Instrumental Video](#))

### Prayers of the People

- We will join one another in prayer at **10:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings** and **Wednesday 8:00 p.m. CST**
- **Landline:** Dial (312) 626 6799 and wait for the prompt that asks for the Meeting ID which is 924 624 201.
  - **Cellphone 1-touch/tap dialing:** +13126266799,,924624201#
  - **Zoom Link:** <https://zoom.us/j/924624201>

Please send your prayer requests during the week to [goodshepherdbartlett@gmail.com](mailto:goodshepherdbartlett@gmail.com) or call (630) 830-3003.  
If you have care needs, we have a Care Team ready to help! Contact the office or Pastor Megan's cell: (312) 715-8752.

**The Lord's Prayer** ([A Sung Choral Version](#)) ([A Contemporary Sung Version](#))  
**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.**

**\*Following the Light of Christ**  
*You can choose to either keep your candle burning throughout the day, or extinguish it as you sing/listen.*

**Song** ([Video](#))([Text](#)).....*I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*.....TFWS #2129

**Benediction** ([Audio](#)) ([Video](#)) ([Text](#))