

A: For all the hardships of others, we ask that You remind us to lend a helping hand.

T: For the specific concerns of those in this church we ask that You lead us.

T: And the prayers of our hearts, we now also lift up to You.

The Lord's Prayer

A: 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, lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

(Communion)

Closing Song (Stand as Able)

Be The Church

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Sending (Stand as Able)

T: Go in Peace and Serve the Lord.

A: Thanks be to God.

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Background Information on Micah

Micah was a prophet in eighth century Judah who spoke God's judgment against the corruption of the country's leaders and the selfishness of the people. He told them that their deceitful behavior made their worship of God a sham. What the Lord requires, Micah told them, is not "going through the motions of worship," but "to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with God." Micah warned the people that they and their nation would be destroyed because they were doing evil rather than the good God required.

Micah also promised that God would be faithful to Judah and would some day send them a Savior to forgive their sins and bring peace.

We, too, have failed to do what God requires of us and, therefore, we, also, live under God's judgment and are in need of a Savior. We now know that Jesus is the promised Savior, and He came to bring all of us salvation and peace. When we fall short in our own lives and fail to do as God requires, we need to look to the One who truly fulfilled the requirement of God to "Do, Love, and Walk."

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Captive Free Worship Service



He has shown you what is good; and what does the Lord
require of you, but to DO justly, to LOVE mercy, and to
WALK humbly with your God. - Micah 6:8



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Prelude – Music by Team

T = Team A = All

Opening Song

Our God Saves

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Invocation and Call to Worship

Song of Worship (*Stand as Able*)

Greetings

Introductions

Confession and Absolution

T: For the times we have not acted justly...

A: Lord, we ask You to forgive us for following our own way instead of Yours, seeking our own desires instead of Yours, and failing to try to correct the injustice done to others.

T: For the times we have not loved mercy...

A: Lord, we ask You to forgive us for not helping others in need, for being slow to forgive, and for being judgmental.

T: For the times that we have not walked humbly with God...

A: Lord, we ask You to forgive us for the pride that is a barrier in our relationship with you, for failing to bring all things to You in prayer, and for failing to trust you.

T: These things and those on our hearts, we lay before You, Lord.

(SILENT REFLECTION)

T: Through Christ's death and resurrection on the cross, the Lord's mercy has covered all of our failures, our shortcomings, and our sins. As a result, we are forgiven in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Confession Song of Response (*Stand as Able*)

Micah 6:8 – To Love Mercy

Sharing Together – To Love Mercy

Children's Sermon

Micah 6:8 – To Do Justly

A: "He has shown you what is good. And what does the lord require of you? But to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8

Sharing Together – To Do Justly

Gospel Reading – Matthew 12:9-13

Sermon/Sharing

Offering – Music by Team

Micah 6:8 – To Walk Humbly With God

A: "He has shown you what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? But to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8

Epistle Reading – Philippians 2:1-8

Sharing Together – To Walk Humbly With God

Prayers

Prayers of Adoration

T: Lord, we praise You for the love that You lavish on us daily. Your love is to be praised.

A: You are our God, and we are Your people.

MEN: God the Father, Overseer of all, we praise You for making us as part of Your creation.

WOMEN: Holy Spirit, we praise You for guiding us and breathing life into us.

A: Jesus Christ, we praise You for unending love, shown through Your death and resurrection.

Prayers of Thanksgiving

T: Lord, we thank You for all You have given us to sustain us through this life. Your love is everlasting.

A: We thank You for giving us the gift of each other. For friends and family we thank You.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN: We thank You for the love our family gives us.

ADULTS: We thank You for reminding us of innocence through the eyes of youth.

WOMEN: We thank You for safety and security that You continue to grant us.

MEN: We thank You for the beauty of creation and all of its creatures.

A: We thank You for the love that You show us.

Prayers of Supplication

T: Lord, we ask that You hear us as we share our concerns of life. Your love heals us.

A: Lord, continue to guide us as life's difficulties overwhelm us.

ADULTS: For those who are struggling with illness, we ask for healing.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN: For those who are hungry, we ask for food.

MEN: For those without homes, we ask for shelter.

WOMEN: For those without work, we ask for jobs.

MEN: For those who protect us, we ask for strength.

WOMEN: For those who lead us, we ask for guidance.