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GREETER

Outside
Inside

Volunteers Needed
George & Deb Aultman

USHERS

Ann Jensen
Volunteers Needed

LITURGIST

John Jensen

COFFEE HOSTS

Don & Paula Johnson

Next Sunday, March 11, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Lent/UMCOR Sunday

Pastor Diane Gordon preaching

Sermon Series: Giving It Up

Sermon Title: Giving Up: Disobedience

Texts: Ephesians 2:1-10 CEB

John 3:14-21 CEB

WORSHIP SERVICES CAN BE SEEN ON CHANNEL 191

Traditional Worship Service: Tuesday - 7:00 pm,
Wednesday - 2:50 pm, & Saturday - 6:30 pm

Contemporary Worship Service:
Wednesday - 6:00 am, Friday - 6:30 pm & Sunday - 7 pm

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on Sunday only: Traditional Service at 9:00 am
& Contemporary Service at 11:00 am

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We are a Stephen Ministry congregation
Christian Care, Compassion, Listening
— when you need it most.

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March 4, 2018

9:00 a.m.

*"Making Disciples of Jesus Christ
for the Transformation of the World."*

Lenten Series: Giving It Up
Third Sunday in Lent
March 4, 2018

**Those who are comfortable standing, please stand.*

PRELUDE *Jesu, Jesu, Thou Art Mine* Bach/Fedak

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(Please take a moment to sign the welcome pad and
pass it to others in the pew.)*

* **OPENING HYMN** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* No. 139

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 20:1-17 CEB
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

PASTORAL PRAYER

* **HYMN OF PREPARATION** *O Jesus, I Have Promised* No. 396

* **GOSPEL READING** John 2:13-22 CEB

CHORAL ANTHEM *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* arr. Moses Hogan
Chancel Choir and soloist, Jim Baker

THE MESSAGE Giving Up: Idolatry Pastor Diane Gordon

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

No. 12-15

Invitation
Confession and Pardon
The Great Thanksgiving
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.**

Sharing of Bread and Cup
Prayer of Thanksgiving

A TIME OF OFFERING *(Ushers will collect your purple prayer requests
in the offering plate.)*

Invitation
Offertory *Siciliano* Bach/Cassler
* Doxology No. 95
* Prayer of Dedication

(Loose coins will go to Habitat for Humanity.)

* **HYMN OF DEDICATION** *Jesus Calls Us* No. 398

* **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *Homage to J.S.B.* William James Ross

We are glad to be able to worship together today.
We invite you to join us for fellowship, coffee and cake in
celebration of Don Johnson's milestone 90th birthday
in the Gathering Space following the service.