Holy Humor Sunday, April 16, 2023 - Traditional 8:00a

Music for Gathering / Prelude Brent Burmeister

Introit "Nothing But the Blood" Joyful Ringers

Welcome (with a brief explanation of Holy Humor Sunday)

† **Opening Hymn** "Take Time to Be Funny" tune of UMH # 395

† Opening Prayer

† **Response** "Meet and Right It Is to Sing" Wesley Hymns # 120, v. 4

Special Music "Awesome God" Joyful Ringers

Responsive Reading Psalm 126:1-3, NRSV, alt.

Sharing Our Stories

Choral Anthem "Thank God, I'm a Methodist"

Scripture Readings Proverbs 17:22 & Romans 12:3, CEB

Reflection "Chickens Are Evil (aka Perception Matters) (aka Joyful Hearts) Rev. Ron Bartlow

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" # 140, adapted

Gospel Reading John 20:19-31, CEB

Sermon "The Gospel as Comedy" Rev. Ron Bartlow

Song "I've Got The Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy"

The Offering

Invitation (to offering)

Offertory/Special Music"Amazing Grace"Harmony† Doxology / Hymn"Praise God" (with Alleluia)# 94

† Offertory Prayer

† Closing Hymn "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #89

Benediction Romans 15:13

Postlude Brent Burmeister

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Music for Gathering

Brent Burmeister

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Special Music "Nothing But the Blood" Joyful Ringers

"Awesome God"

† **Praise Song** "Trading My Sorrows" Grace Multiplied

Opening Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

† **Praise Song** "Down By the Riverside" Grace Multiplied

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Collection & Special Music "Get Happy" Grace Multiplied

Offering Prayer

† Closing Song "The Joy of the Lord is Your Strength" Grace Multiplied

Sending Forth

Music for Departing Grace Multiplied

† indicates times we will invite the congregation to stand / remain standing.