Jarrettown United Methodist Church
October 25, 2026 – 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
Laity Sunday

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send?
And who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I. Send me!”
Isaiah 6:8

Gathering Music

Welcome Connie Damon, JUMC Lay Leader

What is Laity Sunday? Deb Greenawalt

✞**Song**—Here I Am to Worship
Verse 1
Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You
Chorus
So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me
Verse 2
King of all days
Oh, so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor
Bridge
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
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✞Call to Worship Connor Shefman

L: We are called to love God with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength.

ALL: We are called to love our neighbors as ourselves.

L: Our neighbors are the marginalized, the unseen, the forgotten.

ALL: Let us hear the call to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with God. Let us be a living witness of God's love by doing good, seeking justice, and helping the oppressed. Amen!

✞Song—Hear I Am, Lord (UMH #593)

Unison Prayer Becky Conrad

Gracious and loving God, on this Laity Sunday we gather with grateful hearts, giving thanks for the faithful men, women, youth and children who answer your call to serve you.

Today we pray that you may break through our fears, our complacency, and our doubts. Open our hearts to love as Christ loves and open our hands to serve with joy and compassion.

Fill every disciple with the power of your Holy Spirit so that we may be bold witnesses to the good news of Jesus Christ. Use our gifts and our lives to bring hope to those who are discouraged and welcome to those who long for belonging.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, Amen.

Children's Message—This Little Light of Mine Jenny Hyde

Song as Children Depart for Sunday School

Jesus loves the little children,
all the children of the world.
Friend and neighbor, stranger too,
he loves them as he loves you.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Scripture Reading—Matthew 25:31-40 CJ Downey

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. **32** All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. **33** He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

34 "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. **35** For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, **36** I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

37 “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and
feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? 38 When did we see you a stranger
and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? 39 When did we see you sick or in
prison and go to visit you?’
40 “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of
these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

Sermon—Here I Am, Lord! Sue Diehl and Tam Thomas

Song--In Christ Alone
Verse 1
In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand
Verse 2
In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live
Verse 3
There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

Verse 4
No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Announcements Bob Ewart
Offering Hymn—'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus (UMH #462)
The offering plates will be passed as we sing.
Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer Lynn Dougherty

✞**Passing the Peace**
Please extend signs of God's reconciliation and love with those around you, keeping in mind some may be uncomfortable with shaking hands or hugs.

✞**Song**—God Be with You till We Meet Again verses 1-3 (UMH #672)

✞**Sending Forth** Connie Damon

✞**Postlude**--Poco Vivace *Hermann Schroeder*

***CHARGE CONFERENCE -** Tuesday, October 27th at 7 pm in our sanctuary. All church members are welcome to attend. Our District Superintendent, Dr. Andrew Foster III, will preside. We will officially approve annual business, such as the 2027 budget and nominations report. A special agenda item this year is the establishment of the Jarrettown UMC Endowment Fund.

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