Choral Benediction

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.

* Postlude
“The Rejoicing”
G. F. Handel

Altar flowers are presented by Tim and Sue Kincaid in loving memory of our fathers; Clifford J. Kincaid and H. Forbes.
Pulpit flowers are presented by Linda Brown in memory of husband Henry W. Brown.
The white rose on the altar is presented by Sylvia Bisbee in memory of Audrey.

If you would like to order flowers in memory of loved ones, to celebrate an anniversary, or offer them to the Glory of God, please contact Kathy Fellows at 440-255-5899.
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Mentor United Methodist Church

February 16, 2020
Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

The liturgical color is green, signifying life and growth in the Christian church.

GATHERING

Prelude
“The Gift of Love” arr. Hal Hopson
Amy Bender, organist

Lighting of the Candles
Presentation of God’s Holy Word
Brayden Carlson and Sam Gingrich Acolytes (11:00)

Please sign and pass the attendance pad that you find at the end of each pew.
If you are joining us for the first time today, please complete the blue sheet.

Welcome and Announcements
Sharing Joys and Concerns
Sean O’Neil, Liturgist
* Call to Worship  
(from Lamentations 3: 19 - 26)

* Opening Prayer (unison)

Faithful God, your love and mercy never fail.
Forgive us when we are half-hearted in our devotion.
Forgive us when we don’t notice your presence and power.
Enter into our lives and awaken us.
Fill us with hope, for you are our salvation.
Set our hearts on fire for you.
In Jesus our Savior’s name. Amen.

* Opening Hymn 140 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” FAITHFULNESS

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Special Music  Judy Elias, flute

Morning Prayer

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.

Presentation of Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory  Judy Elias, flute

* Doxology  
UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

* Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn of Preparation 334 “Sweet, Sweet Spirit” SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

Scripture Reading  
Revelation 3:14 - 22  New Testament page 869

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon  “Overcome”  Rev. Sondra Snode
Jesus Challenged 7 Churches in Revelation
Today we visit Laodicea

SENDING FORTH

* Hymn 133 “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” SHOWALTER

* Pastoral Benediction

* Members of the congregation stand if able.