



# Epworth United Methodist Church

Nourish Faith. Do Good. Welcome All. Be Church.

## A YEAR OF LOVE



### Service Sunday

**"Love Is Not"**

**May 26, 2019 • 10:30 a.m.**

**EpworthMPLS.org**

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## The Summons

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING MEDITATION

re:Worship

Those who love Jesus keep his words;

**Those who love Christ will make their home with God.**

Those who know Jesus will know his peace;

**Those who know Jesus will be taught in the ways of peace.**

Come, follow and love Jesus our Lord, who has come to be among us.

**Come, worship God, who loves among us, loves us,  
and calls us home. AMEN.**

\*OPENING HYMNS

***"I Love You, Lord"***  
***"O How I Love Jesus"***(vs 1&3)

#2068 FWS

#170 UMH

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT AND LIFE

*during the first Opening Hymn*

## The Service

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

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May we hear the voice of your Spirit, O God, teaching us how to love you and keep your commandments. May we hear the voice of your Spirit that teaches and comforts and warns and abides with us, even during the difficult times. May we hear the voices of the people you have made, O God, calling to us for help, crying out for a witness to your love and your grace. May we hear the voices of people as they cry out both near and far – voices we have drowned out by the noise of our own cares.

**God, give us ears to hear the voice of your Spirit. God give us ears to hear the cries of people asking for help in your name. through Christ, our Savior. AMEN.**

RESPONSIVE READING

**Psalm 67:1-6**

SCRIPTURE

John 14:15-29 (NIV)

CHILDREN'S HYMN

***"Jesus Loves Me"***(vs 1)

#191 UMH

CHILDREN'S TIME

*Surprise Me*

CHILDREN'S HYMN

***"Jesus Loves Me"***(vs 2)

#191 UMH

## SERVICE CONVERSATION

What are ways that we might love our neighbors that we have not tried before or have not tried recently? In other words, how might we serve?

What is a "Service Sunday" that we should do or should do again?

## \*HYMN OF RESPONSE

***"O How He Loves You and Me"***

#2108 FWS

## A TIME OF WITNESS

*This will be a time to share the ways we have served Jesus in serving our neighbor. How have you served? How has your service shown the love of Christ? Have you seen Jesus in those with whom you've connected? In what way? Please be encouraged to tell how you have been called and how you have served.*

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our God 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**

## **Into Serving**

## \*CLOSING HYMN

***"How Can We Name a Love"***

#111 UMH

## \*BENEDICTION

~Ministry Matters

May the love of God surround you. May the love of God uplift you. May the love of God stand with you through the challenges ahead. May the love of God convince you, in every situation, to love. Go now to love others, even as Christ loves you.

**AMEN.**

## \*POSTLUDE