



WE SET OFF: GATHERING

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| Gathering Music                     | <i>Make Way</i> | Mike Slavik             |
| Welcome & Light for the Journey     |                 | <i>We're on Our Way</i> |
| Opening Prayer & Words of Assurance |                 |                         |
| * Song of Faith                     |                 | <i>Trust in You</i>     |

THE PLACE AND ITS MESSAGE: PROCLAIMING

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| The Brown Bag Mystery Tour   | R <sup>2</sup> & The AUMC Young Ones |
| <i>Children and youth of all ages and stages are welcome to come to the front of the sanctuary to hang out with Rev. Rebecca as we discover the surprise awaiting us in the Brown Bag.</i> |                                      |
| Scripture  | Romans 8:18-25   Luke 2:1-3          |
| Message  | <i>Rome: A Place of Longing</i>      |

WHAT WE SEE CHANGES US: RESPONDING

Gathering at the Table of Christ

*As you come forward to receive communion you are invited to place your tithes, offerings, and Connections Card in the plate. Everyone is invited to the Feast of Grace. Gluten-Free crackers and a dedicated Gluten-Free cup are available to the pastor's left. If, for any reason, you are not able to partake of the bread and cup, know that you are still welcome to celebrate with us. Simply come forward with arms crossed over your chest and the pastor will be honored to offer a blessing for you.*



Invitation | The Great Thanksgiving | The Lord's Prayer | Breaking the Bread | Sharing the Feast | Music for Feasting | Returning Thanks

## MOVING ON: SENDING FORTH

### Next Steps

*These upcoming opportunities invite us to take the next steps in our faith journey. Be sure to mark your calendars and invite others to join us.*

### A Proclamation for the Continued Journey

#### \* Song of Faith

*In Christ Alone*

#### Blessing

*We're on Our Way*

#### Parting Music

*In Christ Alone*

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## WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Pastor: Rev. Rebecca Dunger Peak

Ministers: The People

Music Director: Kevin Hershberger

Worship Leader: Kathy Irvine

Guest Musician: Mike Slavik, Trumpet

Tech Team: Brent Henry & Stephanie Johnson

Candle Lighters: Our Youth



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**A**s United Methodists, we believe in open hearts, open minds, and open doors. The congregation of Avondale United Methodist Church in Kansas City, Missouri, is open to all of God's children. We welcome, include, fully affirm, and celebrate the lives of all people. People of all physical and mental ability, race, ethnicity, age, gender, gender identity, gender expressions, family structure, marital status, socio-economic class, faith history, and sexual orientation are welcome, affirmed, and loved here. We believe that all individuals are created by love in God's image. As a Reconciling Ministry Church, we strive to create a safe space and a community that enriches the life of each person. We embrace our diversity and invite all to be a vital part of our church family and ministry.

~ Adopted November 2019

