BETHESDA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

10:30 a.m. Sunday 27 March 2022 Fourth Sunday in Lent/UMCOR Sunday

ENTRANCE

Prelude and Lighting of Candles

Announcements (*To help us connect, please sign the attendance pad in your pew*)

*Greeting**: Many are the torments of the wicked but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

Be glad in the Lord, O righteous, and shout for joy, you upright in heart!

(Psalm 32)

*Opening Prayer: 639 "Bread and Justice"

*Opening Hymn: 400 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination: 646 (Response 1) "Canticle of Love"

First Lesson: Joshua 5:9-12

Psalter: 766: Psalm 32

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Hymn of Preparation: 439 (*Tune:73*) "We Utter Our Cry"

*Gospel Lesson: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Sermon: "Coming home"

Affirmation of Faith: 881 "The Apostles' Creed,
Traditional Version"

Joys, Concerns, Prayers

*The Peace: Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

THANKSGIVING

Invitation: As forgiven and reconciled people, let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

Offering/Offertory

*Doxology: 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Prayer of Thanksgiving: 446 "Serving the Poor"

*The Lord's Prayer: 895

SENDING FORTH

*Closing Hymn: 2197 "Lord of All Hopefulness"

*Closing Prayer^: May we see Christ in one another

that we may be healers and peacemakers

in Christ's name.

Amen.

*Extinguishing of Candles and Postlude/Going Forth

*Indicates the people standing, if able and willing

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