Matawan United Methodist Church

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The First of Thirteen Sundays in Kingdomtide

Songs of Praise:

"Everlasting God" - "Creation's King" "God Is on the Move."

10:00 Welcome

*Call to Worship (Projected)

*Opening Hymn: "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" 581 vv 1, 2, 3

*Opening Prayer - (Also Projected)
Almighty God,

in your goodness, you provide for the needy.

Remove from your people the pride of place and the pursuit of power that mocks humility.

Open our hearts in generosity and justice to the neglected and lonely, that in showing esteem for others, we may honor and please you

through Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers from the Lectionary

Prayer of Confession

Sharing the Peace - "The Family of God"

Proclamation and Response

The New Testament: Philippians 2:5-11

Praise Team: "There Is a Redeemer"

Children's Message: "All Puffed Up"

Glory Be to the Father

Gospel: Luke 14:1;7-14

Sermon: "Already Raised"

Meditative Interlude

Pastoral Prayer - The Offering

Praise Team: "My Redeemer Lives"

Offertory Prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer Sending Forth:

*Closing Hymn: "All to Jesus I Surrender".354

*The Blessing - Response: "Go Now in Peace" 665

Thrift Store: Tues. 6 pm-8 pm; Thur.10 am-2 pm; Sat. 10 am-2pm **Food Pantry:** 2nd and 4th Tues. 6:30 pm-7:30 pm; Thur. 10 am-11:30