

March 12, 2023 at 9:00 AM
Worship Series: **Busy: Reconnecting to An Unhurried God**
Message: **Balancing Act**
UMH – United Methodist Hymnal
***Stand in body or in spirit**

Prelude *I Will Sing of My Redeemer* June Shuffett

Welcome/Announcements Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Ministry Moment Joana Arthur

Threshold Moment See Screen

Pastor: Let us pray, making space for God in the busyness of our lives.

Pastor: God of our Present Moments, we struggle to make sense of our choices.

People: Let us *make* room for You.

Pastor: Draw us in to this time of worship to seek balance in our lives.

People: Let us *find* room for You.

Pastor: Help us clear out the false ideals that drive us away from what's important.

People: Let us *be* room for You.

Pastor: Let us pray.

**People: Gracious God,
as Martha offers hospitality to her guests
as Mary listens carefully to Your word
May we learn to balance
being Your hands and heart in the world.
May we always choose the better part
of a relationship with You. AMEN.**

Children's Moment Linda Biscardo

Prayers of the People Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

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.**

Offering *Ah, Holy Jesus* Bells of Praise

***Doxology**

**For time to savor God's good gifts
For space to breathe and hearts to lift
For ways to reach out and to give
We offer thanks and vow to live! AMEN**

***Prayer of Thanksgiving** Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Gospel Reading Luke 10:38-42 Bruce Bartolain

***Hymn** *Sweet Hour of Prayer* UMH 496

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***Hymn** *Sent Forth By God's Blessing* UMH 664

***Benediction** Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Postlude *As the Deer* June Shuffett