

First United Methodist Church

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

June 26, 2022

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Morning Prayer

Tschaikovsky

†CHIMING OF THE HOUR & INTROIT

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Go, said God to Abraham, to a land I will show you.

And Abraham and Sarah left their country, people and father's house.

Follow me, said Jesus to Simon and Andrew, James and John.

And they left their nets and homes and families.

Follow me, Jesus says to us.

That we might surrender our lives, take up our cross, and live for him.

†HYMN

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

No. 64

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth, and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
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†OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, who summons us from death into life, from that which lies behind to a future with hope and purpose, from the old life into a new creation: Help us, O God, to see the overwhelming gift of your call and claim, your mercy and grace, revealed in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we might respond with faith and joy, surrendering all, embracing your way, and lift high our praise and thanksgiving. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

Unison

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
The communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

†GLORIA PATRI

Unison

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Unison

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.

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 3:7-11

WORSHIP WITH TITHES, GIFTS, AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Fill Us With Your Love”

Chancel Choir

†DOXOLOGY

No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†HYMN

“And Can It Be that I Should Gain”

No. 363

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood!
Died he for me, who caused His pain! For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis mystery all: th'Immortal dies! Who can explore his strange design?
In vain the firstborn seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, Let angel minds inquire no more.

He left His Father's throne above, (so free, so infinite his grace!),
emptied himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race;
'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay, fast bound in sin and nature's night;
thine eye diffused a quickening ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
my chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him is mine; alive in him,
my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown,
through Christ my own

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 18:1-9

SERMON

He Said What? The Difficult Sayings of Jesus

“If your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out!”

Caleb Starr, Ministerial Intern

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee,
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness!

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Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

†BENEDICTION AND TRINITY CHIMES

(Please remain in place at the end of the service until the conclusion of the Trinity Chimes)

CHORAL BENEDICTION

“I Am Divine”

Chancel Choir

CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

Credo

Haydn

THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are dedicated to the Glory of God and
given in celebration of Christine Leary's birthday, July 2nd, by her family and pets!

STEEPLE LIGHTING

The Steeple is lit the month of June to the glory of God
and in memory of Dr. Paul W. Boone.

TUESDAY COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesdays at 4:00 pm in the Jackie Eure classroom.
Music, short devotional, Holy communion, and prayers.

The 8:30 service is looking for volunteers to usher one Sunday a month. Greeting and handing out the bulletins and passing the offering plates are two weekly responsibilities. Please call the church office or contact an usher if you can serve during this early service.



Saturday Work Day

After Project MHC, we became aware of a family living within a few blocks of the church that really need a handicap ramp. We love that Project MHC is starting to bear good fruit in our neighborhood. This year, we worked with Rev. Bill Snow, the pastor at the AMEZ church a few blocks from us, to source projects that were within walking distance of the church. Pastor Sarah has prayed about having a greater impact on the area right around us and I think we are starting to see it. This couple saw what we were doing at a neighbor's house and felt comfortable coming into our office and asking to get on our list for next year. After meeting the couple, Jim and Sarah feel called to help now! They are trying to set up a work team for Saturday morning, July 9th. A dream team of about 5 or 6 could knock it out in a day (according to Jim and he is the ramp building master). Jim already has a plan and can help lead. Let us know if you are available and interested! And if you have a friend who wants to be a part of it, bring them on! If you can't do the 9th, but want to be involved in other one-day mission opportunities, let us know because Jim and Sarah are working on other projects for later in the summer. God is doing big things in our church and in our community and I hope you will all prayerfully consider helping us be his hands and his feet for our neighbors!

Carry the Light of Christ

An acolyte is a helper or attendant who bears the flame that lights the candles at the opening of the service and extinguishes them at the service's conclusion. We are searching for Acolytes grades 4th and up (needs to be able to carry the candle, light candles, and hold/serve communion trays if Communion Sunday) to help the Pastors on Sunday mornings in the traditional 8:30 or 11:00 services. We need 2 people per service on Communion Sundays and 1 server on the other Sundays (can have 2 but only 1 needed). This is a great opportunity to serve in the church. Thank you all for considering this opportunity feel free to share with anyone of age that may be interested. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Dana Starling.