



ARVADA
United Methodist Church

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Sunday, February 8, 2026; 8:15 am and 10:00 am

Gathering Music

Prelude

8:15 am *Shall We Gather at the River* Jordan Ortman
(Joel Raney) One License # 109329
10:00 am *Freedom* Chancel Choir, Jordan Ortman
(Marti Lunn and Lois Brownsey)

Greeting

Dr. Amy Gearhart

***Opening Hymn**

#448 - *Go Down Moses*, vss. 1, 3, 10, 11

(African-American Spiritual, arr. William Farley Smith) One License # 68002

When Israel was in Egypt's land, let My people go,
oppressed so hard they could not stand, let My people go.
Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land.
Tell old Pharaoh to let My people go.

No more shall they in bondage toil; let My people go,
Let them come out with Egypt's spoil, let My people go.
Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land.
Tell old Pharaoh to let My people go.

This world's a wilderness of woe. Let My people go.
O let us on to Canaan go. Let My people go.
Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land.
Tell old Pharaoh to let My people go.

O, let us all from bondage flee. Let My people go,
and let us all in Christ be free. Let My people go.
Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land.
Tell old Pharaoh to let My people go.

Congregational Greeting

Rev. Lauren Boyd

Baptism and New Member Reception

Congregational Response

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you,
and we welcome you in Christian love.**

**As members together with you in the body of Christ
and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church,
we renew our covenant faithfully to participate
in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence,
our gifts, our service, and our witness,
that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

Offertory / Offertory Prayer

Offertory Music

8:15 am

Be Thou My Vision

(Heather Sorenson)

10:00 am

Aint' Gonna Let Nobody

(arr. Rollo Dilworth) One License # EXS00374SD

Scripture

Luke 4:16-21

When Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

Lay Readers: Veronica Ritterholz at 8:15; Dalton Kieta at 10:00

Sermon

"Jesus as Liberator"

Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

***Closing Hymn** *My Soul is Like a Child With Wings*

(Chris Shelton, arr. John L. Bell) One License # U00642T

My soul is like a child with wings — with wings that long to fly,
to soar beyond the bonds of earth, to dance across the sky.
God, help me drop the chains I bear, the shame, the pain that clings,
till I am free to rise with you, just like a child with wings.

Now and again, I stretch my wings, I bravely start to try
to climb upon the Spirit's back to leap and touch the sky.
And sometimes I have flown with you, unbound from thoughts and things;
and sometimes I have fallen, God, with bruised and broken wings.

Within the shadow of your wings, you hold me when I cry,
you shelter me as storms roll past, my wings too weak to fly.
But when, at last, the dawn breaks forth, my soul, awaking, sings:
O teach me how to fly with you, Great God of steadfast wings.

***Benediction**

Sending Forth Music *Baptized in Water*

(Paul A. Tate)

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