



**ARVADA**  
United Methodist Church

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**Sunday, Aug 3, 2025; 815 am and 10 am Services**

## **Gathering Music**

**Prelude** *Let Hope Be Reborn* Shabach Ensemble  
(Chris Shelton, sung to St. Denio - UMH 103) One License # U00648

**Greeting** Rev. Lauren Boyd

**\*Call to Worship** Marsha Clark

One: You call us God, to worship You.

**All: We worship with our inner being,  
loving and trusting you unconditionally.  
We come to you in awe.**

One: We worship through fellowship.

**All: We seek to connect with one another,  
listening and seeing Your presence in every other.  
We come to You in harmony through communion.**

One: We worship through answering Your call.

**All: We seek to share your love with those in need,  
celebrating Your desire for us to humbly serve.  
We come to you in gratitude. Amen.**

**\*Opening Hymn** *God of the Women*

(Carolyn Winfrey Gilette, Eleanor Henrietta Hull, John Wasson, Mary Elizabeth Byrne) One License # 44912 and CCLI Song # 4669937

God of the women who answered your call, trusting your promises, giving their all,

Women like Sarah and Hannah and Ruth —give us their courage to live in your truth.

God of the women who walked Jesus' Way, giving their resources, learning to pray,

Mary, Joanna, Susanna, and more — may we give freely as they did before.

God of the women long put to the test, left out of stories, forgotten, oppressed,

Quietly asking: "Who smiled at my birth?" — in Jesus' dying you show us our worth.

O God of Phoebe and ministers all, may we be joyful in answering your call. Give us the strength of your Spirit so near that we may share in your ministry here.

### **Congregational Greeting**

Marcia Canter

### **Children's Time**

Marcia Canter and Jayme Ward

### **Recognition** (Deb Williams and Colleen Rostad)

Marcia Canter

### **Offertory / Offering Prayer**

Sue Clasen

### **Offertory Music**

*She Who Is*

Shabach Ensemble

(Tracy Howe)

She Who Is, guides us strong. Here in the world, She's beauty's song.

Wisdom True, and Mystery, a treasure for God's family.

She groans when we have not the words to pray. Always here with us, her mercy saves.

She knows our pain and her tears, they fall, breaking the violent ground that chains us all.

She brightly shines to lead the way, unfolding grace in our everyday.

She groans when we have not the words to pray, always here with us, her mercy saves.

**Scripture****Matthew 25: 31-45 NRSV**

When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you, a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You who are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels, for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' "

**Lay Reader:** Emily Hunvald**Introduction of Jayme Ward**

Sue Clasen

**Sermon**

"Taking Care of Neighbors Far and Near" Jayme Ward

**Invitation to Communion with The Lord's Prayer****Sharing of the Bread and Cup****Communion Music***Table of the World*

Shabach Ensemble

(Tony Alonso) One License # 57180

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

### \*Closing Hymn

TFWS # 2046 - *Womb of Life*

(Ruth Duck, Skinner Chavez-Melo) One License # 07714 and  
One License # RS739

Womb of life, and source of being, home of ev'ry restless heart,  
in your arms the worlds awakened; you have loves us from the start.  
We, your children, gather 'round you, at the table you prepare.  
Sharing stories tears and laughter, we are nurtured by your care.

Brooding Spirit, move among us; be our partner, be our friend.  
When our mem'ry fails, remind us whose we are, what we intend.  
Labor with us, aid the birthing of the new world yet to be,  
Free of servant, lord, and master free for love and unity.

Mother, Brother, holy Partner; Sister, Spirit, Only Son:  
we would praise your name forever, one-in-three, and three-in-one.  
We would share your life, your passion, share your word of world made  
new,  
ever singing, ever praising, one with all, and one with you.

### \*Benediction

Marcia Canter

### Sending Forth Music *The Trees of the Field*

(Steffi Geiser Ruben, Stuart Dauerman) One License # 25933

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