

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound"
arr. Mark Hayes

Pastor Beth Snarr
Sunny Baik

CALL TO WORSHIP

We are children of God:
Called to praise, and to bless, and to show mercy.
We are citizens of a nation:
Called to care, and to respond, and to share our freedom.
We are members of a community:
Called to know each other, and to accept each other, and to welcome all.
We belong to God, and through God, to one another.
So may our hearts be as one, and let us worship our God.

Nikenna Deffenbaugh

HYMN UMH 729

"O Day Of Peace That Dimly Shines"

¹ O day of peace that dimly shines through all our hopes and prayers and dreams, guide us to justice, truth, and love, delivered from our selfish schemes. May swords of hate fall from our hands, our hearts from envy find release, till by God's grace our warring world shall see Christ's promised reign of peace.
² Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the fierce devour the small; as beasts and cattle calmly graze, a little child shall lead them all. Then enemies shall learn to love, all creatures find their true accord; the hope of peace shall be fulfilled, for all the earth shall know the Lord.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We affirm that human beings are made for God and for one another. We celebrate the diversity of our human family and respond to God's call in the world through acts of mercy and justice.

We profess that all we are and all that we possess, belongs to God. We are temporary stewards of resources and material goods that should be used to serve God and our neighbor. We recognize economic challenges of scarcity, but pledge to live into a Kingdom of God where all are cared for and all have enough.

We affirm that our involvement in political systems is rooted in the Gospel imperative to love our neighbor, to do justice, and to care for the vulnerable. Our political action is to be aimed at a common good and not a pursuit of power.

We believe that the Triune God is a God that is community, and that God created humanity to be in community. We are called to be holy, and are made holy though the saving work of Christ and the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Ena Trakilovic

GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

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.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

RECEIVING GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC

"A Closer Walk with God"
Eugene Butler

Chancel Choir

CALL TO PRAYER UMH 496 (vs 1)

"Sweet Hour Of Prayer"

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer! that calls me from a world of care, and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known. In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief, and oft escaped the tempter's snare by thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

Pastor Harold Henderson

GATHERING SONG FWS 2233

"Where Children Belong"

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: this is where children belong.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SERMON

Triple Citizenship
Citizens of the United States
Matthew 5:21-24, 38-48
John 17: 20-23

Pastor Beth Snarr
Heather Pancoast

