

# Order of Worship

## *Your Story, My Story—God's Story*

July 20, 2025 10:00 AM

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Welcome to this time of worship, as we gather in the name of Jesus Christ.

### Prelude

### Reflection

Mark Williams

Steve McBride, organ

### Welcome

Rev. Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

### Greeting

Fran Underwood

Leader: Good and merciful God, you call us to gather along the road  
we know as community,

**All: With our neighbors all around, speak to us in these complicated times.**

Leader: We are people of the covenant,  
called to care for one another without exception.

**All: Within and beyond our walls, our neighbors are struggling.  
Within and beyond these walls, we may be the one who is struggling.**

Leader: Just as Jesus lived a commitment of coming near,  
abide in, with and through us.  
Send us.

Encourage us to come near in your name.

**All: We are ready to open our hearts to receive new strength  
and to open our lives to new understanding. Gather us near.**

### Hymn

**Come, Christians, Join to Sing**

### Prayer of Confession

Fran Underwood

Leader: Let us center ourselves as we prepare for prayer. *pause*  
God calls us to relationships of trust and hope.  
As your children we are drawn to the good and the holy.  
We come now to confess that we sometimes have too narrow  
a view of what is good, missing the holy even when we are in its midst.

**All: God we pray, inspire courage and compassion and open us  
beyond the usual boundaries that come with fear and privilege.  
We know that we have failed to see our neighbors**

unless it is convenient and scheduled.  
We know that the Good Samaritan comes near  
as one who knows the Kingdom is near.  
And the Kingdom of God comes near when we do the same.  
But Creating Spirit, coming near is not easy.  
It's easier to withdraw and to hide in our homes.  
The division that plagues our nation will require a new kind  
of coming together in understanding and love.  
Forgive our hesitation and make bold our faith.  
Make far reaching our witness. Amen.

### **Words of Forgiveness**

Rev. Scott Duncan Hopkins

Leader: Be at peace as the people of God who daily find strength in hope.  
Be at peace knowing that God draws near;  
that God is always near and walking with us  
in our struggle to follow boldly.  
May we be courageous, open, and ready  
for all that God brings before our lives.

**All: Amen.**

### **Anthem**

### **Our Great God**

Fernando Ortega

Praise Band

### **Children's Message**

### **Scripture**

**Luke 10:25-37**

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Sermon**

### **Correcting The Vision Of Our Hearts**

Rev. Hopkins

### **Prayer of the People**

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

### **Offering/Bunny Hop Check Presentation**

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and click "Make your online offering."*

*In the United Methodist tradition, all who seek to lead a Christian life,  
together with their children, are invited to receive communion.*

♪ The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.** ♪

*The pastor continues...*

And so,

with your people on earth

and all the company of heaven

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

♪ **Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!** ♪

*The pastor continues...*

And so,

in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,

we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving

as a holy and living sacrifice,

in union with Christ's offering for us,

as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

♪ **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.** ♪

*The pastor continues...*

All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

♪ **Amen. Amen. Amen.** ♪

And now with the confidence of children of God,

let us pray as our Lord taught us:

**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.

### **Sending Forth**

**\*Hymn**

**Love the Lord**

see songsheet

**\*Benediction**

Rev. Hopkins