



Bethel
CONGREGATIONAL
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Born of Love

Shaped by Grace

Transformed for Service

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Order of Worship

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*Indicates an invitation to stand as you are able.

The congregation is invited to respond with the words printed in BOLD.

Hearing devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

Please turn off the ringtone on your cell phone.

Gathering Music

Welcome and Introduction to the Summer Worship Theme

Call to Worship

One: God is good!

Many: **All the time!**

One: And all the time!

Many: **God is good!**

One: Today we celebrate the goodness of God and all of God's creation!

Many: **Let us give thanks for this opportunity to be together.**

One: Take a minute to tell your neighbor WHAT and WHO you are thankful for this morning!

Chant for the Season #742:

Gathered here in the mystery of this hour

Gathered here in one strong body

Gathered here in the struggle and the power

Spirit draw near!

*Expanding our Attention 360°

*Hymn #563

We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky

During the singing of the hymn, you are invited to bring forward an element that represents your love of Creation as a dimension of your Christian faith. At the conclusion of the hymn, Bible Reef Teachers and children are invited to depart for Education Hall.

Prayer

Guiding God, You who never leave our side in all the paths of life, be with us as we traverse the pain and delight of loving and living so that we might be with others in the seasons of their lives. We praise you for setting in motion the cycles of creation and setting us among it. Amen.

Befriending the Shadowy Places

Listening

Letting Go and Holding with Love

Chant

**Breathe in the pain
Breathe on out the love
May my heart be the place
Where this world is changed forever.**

The Lord's prayer

**Abba Imma in heaven, holy be your name. Your reign come, your yearning
be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day the bread we need.
Forgive our debts as we forgive our debtors. Guide us through life's trials.
Shelter us all from evil. In your Grace, your wisdom, and your love. Amen.**

Exclaiming Divine Creativity

Scripture: Matthew 9:14-17

Sermon: The World We Have

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*Doxology #775

**And God will raise you up on eagle's wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of God's hand.**

*Prayer of Dedication



*Sing #205

Dance Into Joy

Staying Connected – Announcements

Blessing and Benediction

Postlude

Mission Statement

- While our Christian faith is 2000 years old, our thinking is not.
- We are a people on a faith journey where grace abounds.
- We celebrate God's still speaking voice revealed in our world today.
- We worship God, share the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and practice God's unconditional love for all creation.
- We act on our faith to achieve needed works of service, justice, love and kindness.
- We support one another, celebrating our roots and enthusiastically embracing our evolving future.
- We are an open and affirming congregation welcoming all in God's family wherever each is in life's journey.

Birthdays This Week

Ester McGinnis 07/11

Nancy Speer 07/11

Ken Ruse 07/12

Today's Worship Leaders

Reader - Jim Butler, Rich Galvan

Flowers - Gerry and Gloria Craig

Ushers - Jim Butler, Rich Galvan, Barbara Hess, Nancy Hilbrick

Coffee - Carolyn Rundorff

Food - Keniston Doughnuts

Open and Close - Linda Timmel

Sound - Soren Knudsen, Tim Galvan

Announcement Slides - Diana Marsden

Nursery - Lauren Hake, Kathryn Fairman

PreK-5th - Janice Burris, Dawn Bleyle, Clarinne Kirk

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