

The liturgical color is green for the 4th Sunday after Pentecost

**PRELUDE** "Evocation on FINLANDIA" Frederick Steffen  
Amy Bender, organ

**WELCOME** 9:00 Rich Elwell | 11:00 Kate Colbow, liturgists

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Our relationships with our fathers are complicated.

**C: For some of us, our father's love is like God's love—too deep, too long, too wide, too strong to measure.**

L: Some of our dads are here; some were never here.

**C: For some of us, God's love fills in the empty spaces our fathers left behind.**

L: All of us are shaped by the relationship or lack of relationship with our fathers.

**All: On this day when we remember what it means to have a father or be a father, we recognize the importance of fathers in our communities. We pledge as a congregation to love and nurture the fathers among us so that they will manifest the love of God in all that they do.**

**\*OPENING HYMN** "How Firm a Foundation" UMH 529

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Almighty God, I come understanding your reign in the world. I come understanding your power and presence. I come, believing and trusting that You are the "I Am" of Life. Lord, in the midst of complexities, I yearn for a deeper understanding of Your ways. Help me unravel mysteries and grant me clarity in moments of doubt. Let Your wisdom be my guiding light, as I seek to know your plans for me. With gratitude, I give myself to your will. Let me never let go of your Righteousness and Grace. Thank you for all that you provide. I count it all, JOY! Amen.**

*Children are invited to stay in worship or meet in the Narthex to go to Sunday School*

**SCRIPTURE** Psalm 63:1-5, p. 410

**WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC** "You Are Mine" arr. Mark Hayes  
Laurie Babcock, soloist

**SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK THROUGH CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

*\* Congregation invited to stand if able*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** 9:00

**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.**

**11:00** "The Lord's Prayer" Malotte  
Fritz Streiff, soloist

**FAITH IN ACTION**

**SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

You may place your offering in the Offering Box at the entrance of the Sanctuary or give online using the link on the back of the bulletin

**OFFERTORY** "Be Still and Know" Steven Curtis Chapman

**\*DOXOLOGY #94**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own, have we given Thee. Bless these our efforts for the building up of your kingdom here on earth. This is our earnest plea, we give more love to Thee. Amen.**

**HYMN OF CENTERING** "Take Time to Be Holy" UMH 395

*Hymn History:* The words to this hymn were written by William Dunn Longstaff. He was born in Sunderland, England in 1822. His father was a wealthy ship owner and Longstaff was independently wealthy. Despite his riches his life had an emptiness to it. He became a Christian when he heard the preaching of Griffith John, a missionary to China who had returned to England. Griffith John recited I Peter 1:16, for it is written: "Be holy because I am holy." William used that passage as the basis for this hymn. Longstaff befriended Rev. Arthur Rees, a Welsh preacher who had left the Anglican Church because of a dispute and started the Bethesda Free Chapel in Sunderland with Longstaff as church treasurer. Longstaff also was friends with William Booth, the English Methodist preacher who founded the Salvation Army. Many of Longstaff hymns appeared in the Salvation Army's magazine, War Cry. William Longstaff died in Sunderland in 1894.

**SCRIPTURE** Mark 4:35-41, p.710

**MESSAGE** *Go Be Joy!*: "Be"  
Rev. Dr. Ivy Smith

**HYMN OF MISSION** "God Will Take Care of You" UMH 130

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION SUNG RESPONSE "Go Now In Peace"**

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.  
Amen. Amen. Amen.**

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**POSTLUDE**

"Sing to the Lord a New and Glorious Song"

Lani Smith

Altar Flowers are presented  
by Theodore & Corrine Babcock  
In Honor of Our Fathers & Grandfathers

Please contact Kathy Fellows at 440.477.4485



*Happy Father's Day!*

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