

Prelude Basse et Dessus de Trompette

Velda Graham Bell, organ

L.N. Clerambault

UM Hymnal #103

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. MaryAnne Korsch

Call to Worship

Barb Carlson and Amanda Pederson

- One: God, when the light is inaccessible and hid from our eyes,
- All: May we trust you.
- One: When the path forward is unclear,
- All: May we trust you.
- One: When we feel lost and alone,
- All: May we trust you.
- One: You are in the light and you are in the dark. You are in the day and you are in the night.
- All: Even when we feel lost, alone, and in the shadow of death, you are there. May we trust this promise.

Hymn Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love. 3. To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.

4. Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light; thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all laud we would render: O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

Morning Prayer

Prayers of Joy and Concern

Lord's Praver

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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Children's Message

Anthem

Come Sunday

Brandon Veale, tenor; Velda Graham Bell, piano

Scripture Reading

Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was without form or shape, with darkness over the abyss and a mighty wind sweeping over the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light" and there was light. God saw that the light was good. God then separated the light from the darkness. God called the light "day" and the darkness he called "night." Evening came and morning followed – the first day.

Isaiah 45:3

"I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who calls you by your name."

Sermon *Learning to Walk in the Dark*

Hymn You Are Mine

1. I will come to you in the silence, *I will lift you from all your fear.* You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice, be still and know I am here.

2. I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see. In the shadows of the night, I will be your light, come and rest in me.

Refrain: Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name. Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.

3. I am strength for all the despairing, healing for the ones who dwell in shame. All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and all will know my name.

Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

Anne Gustafson and Victoria Panger

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Refrain: Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name. *Come and follow me,* I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.

4. I am the Word that leads all to freedom, I am the peace the world cannot give. I will call your name, embracing all your pain, stand up, now walk, and live!

Refrain: Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name. Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.

Jojo Coffin-Langdon

Duke Ellington

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

Offertory Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen

Tommy Kishida, vibes

spiritual

Words for Going Forth

Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

Postlude Sonata in D Major

Velda Graham Bell, organ

Domenico Scarlatti



Thank you to Rev. Jesse Bale, from the Federal Prison Camp, for being part of our service this morning.

Pastor Jeanine is on vacation this Sunday. She will be back with us next week, when she will preach on Joshua 15:13-15 – "Is God on Our Side?"

Considering joining the church? Find out more about Methodism, First United Methodist Church and Hillside United Methodist Church at a special Zoom new member class on Sunday, August 30, following worship. This is the only session needed in order to join the church.

Thank you to Michael Goodlet and Velda Graham Bell for leading the hymns today.

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