



Sunday, August 30, 2020



Prelude *Arioso ("Thanks Be to God")* G.F. Handel/arr. Setchell
MaryAnne Korsch, piano; Velda Graham Bell, organ

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Call to Worship Carmen and Doug Wendland

One: Morning has broken, like the first morning.
All: Blackbird has spoken, like the first bird.
One: Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven.
All: Like the first dew fall on the first grass.
One: Praise for the singing, praise for the morning!
All: Praise with elation for the new day!

Hymn *Morning Has Broken* UM Hymnal #145

1. Morning has broken like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

3. Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's re-creation of the new day!

2. Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Morning Prayer Pastor Jeanine Alexander
Prayers of Joy and Concern

Lord's Prayer
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 Pastor Cynthia and Jojo Coffin-Langdon

Anthem *Mother of the Waters* lyrics and music by Thomas Wayne King
Debbi King, vocalist

Scripture Reading Cindy and Scott Hedlund

Genesis 1:26-31

One: Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."
All: So God created humankind in God's own image ... in the image of God they were created.

One: God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground." Then God said, "I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground – everything that has the breath of life in it – I give every green plant for food." And it was so.

All: **God saw all that had been made, and it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning – the sixth day.**

Hymn *Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth*

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1. *Mothering God, you gave me birth
in the bright morning of this world.
Creator, source of every breath,
you are my rain, my wind, my sun.*

2. *Mothering Christ, you took my form,
offering me your food of light,
grain of life, and grape of love,
your very body for my peace.*

3. *Mothering Spirit, nurt'ring one,
in arms of patience hold me close,
so that in faith I root and grow
until I flow'r, until I know.*

Sermon *Living in God's Sandbox*

Kelby Werner, summer pastoral intern

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

Offertory *Farewell to Stromness*

Peter Maxwell Davies

Velda Graham Bell, piano

Commissioning Kelby

Pastor Jeanine Alexander and FUMC staff

Words for Going Forth

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Postlude Chorale from *Finlandia*

Jean Sibelius / arr. Setchell

MaryAnne Korsch, piano; Velda Graham Bell, organ



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Music note: The town of Stromness, on the Orkney Islands off the coast of Scotland, was nearly leveled to make way for a uranium mine in 1980. Composer Peter Maxwell Davies lived on the Orkney Islands and wrote "Farewell to Stromness" as a protest against the proposed mine.

Next Sunday we will celebrate holy communion, so please have ready a piece of bread (or some kind of food) and juice (or some kind of drink) so you can fully participate.

This Sunday is the last day of Kelby Werner's summer internship with First United Methodist Church. He will be completing his final semester at the University of Minnesota from home, studying online, so we may still see him around. Thank you, Kelby, for all you have done this summer!

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

Thank you to Bill Alexander and Alex Flinner for recording, compiling, editing and distributing the videos to create our online worship service.

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