



Sunday, July 25, 2021



Prelude *Processional*

Velda Graham Bell, organ

William Mathias

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. MaryAnne Korsch

*** Call to Worship**

Kelby Werner

One: Our lives are in your care, O God.

All: **Our strength, our hope, our very breath are in you.**

One: And so we praise you today!

All: **We praise you with all of our strength and might.**

All: **Let us sing with everything we've got!**

*** Hymn** *My Life is in You, Lord*

The Faith We Sing #2032

Children's Message

Jojo Coffin-Langdon, director of family ministries

Morning Prayer

Rev. MaryAnne Korsch

Concerns and Celebrations

Jesus' Prayer

Loving God, Sacred One, Blessed be your name. May your kingdom come, your dream arrive, your purpose prevail, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us the wrong we have done, as we forgive those who have wronged us. Help us steer clear of temptation, and protect us from evil. We trust you in this, for the kingdom, its power and its beauty, are yours forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Carol Donahue

Matthew 5:1-10

When Jesus saw his ministry drawing huge crowds, he climbed a hillside. Those who were apprenticed to him, the committed, climbed with him. Arriving at a quiet place, he saw down and taught his climbing companions. This is what he said: "You're blessed when you're at the end of your rope. With less of you, there is more of God and his rule. You're blessed when you feel you've lost what is most dear to you. Only then can you be embraced by the One most dear to you. You're blessed when you're content with just who you are – no more, no less. That's the moment you find yourselves proud owners of everything that can't be bought. You're blessed when you've worked up a good appetite for God. He's food and drink in the best meal you'll ever eat. You're blessed when you care. At the moment of being 'care-full,' you find yourselves cared for. You're blessed when you get your inside world – your mind and heart – put right. Then you can see God in the outside world. You're blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight. That's when you discover who you really are and your place in God's family. You're blessed when your commitment to God provokes persecution. The persecution drives you even deeper into God's kingdom."

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

Jojo Coffin-Langdon, director of family ministries

Special Music *Untitled Hymn (Come to Jesus)* Chris Rice
Tapestry; Cynthia Coffin-Langdon, director

Sermon *Cultural Expectations and You* Kelby Werner, pastoral intern

*** Hymn** *For the Healing of the Nations* UM Hymnal #428

Benediction Kelby Werner

Postlude *Procesión Alegre* Garry Cornell
Velda Graham Bell, organ

* Please stand as you are comfortable.



Announcements

Please fill out the attendance cards each week. At least for now, they are replacing the pew pads. Keeping attendance and making sure the church has your current contact information is an important part of the church records. On the back of the card, you will find a list of ministry opportunities, places where your help can make a difference! These opportunities will change often, so check them out each week and please sign up where you can.

Fellowship, coffee and doughnuts will be available following the service in Lakeview Social Hall, on the lower level.

Parking lot concert Wednesday, July 28: Randy Lee's Jazz Combo will be performing at 6:30 pm. Paul Sapyta's Room at the Table food truck will serve a special menu beginning at 6:00. Freewill offerings will be taken for both the concert and the food. Chairs available, or bring your own. Raindate is Thursday, July 29.

Pastor Jeanine is on vacation through Tuesday. She will not be available by phone, email or text until Wednesday. If you need pastoral care, call the church office (727-5021) to be connected with Rev. MaryAnne, Pastor Cynthia, or Parish Nurse Linda Wiig, or contact them directly.

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