

10:00 A.M.

Order for Our Worship of God

(*those who are able are invited to stand)

WELCOME

PRELUDE “Guide Me, Thou Great Jehovah” arr. Larson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Welcome to God's upside-down kingdom!

**A realm in which the last are first,
the latecomers are fully compensated,
and fairness takes a sideways turn.**

We worship a complicated God—

or is God's way actually quite simple?

We bring our questions—and our discomfort—with us this morning,
trusting that God will show us the way. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, as we gather in your presence, we open our hearts to your loving embrace. Let your divine peace wash over us and calm the troubled waters of our minds. In your grace, grant us the strength to release all burdens of resentment and judgment. We thank you for this sacred moment and surrender our hearts to be transformed by your spirit.

In this moment of worship, fill us with gratitude and renewed hope. Guide us on the path of compassion and unity so that we may leave behind all bitterness and walk in your light. May our worship be pleasing to you, reflecting the purity of your eternal love. With gratitude in our hearts, we pray. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN “Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service” No. 581
(vs. 1, 3, 4)

PASSING THE PEACE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul. Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 20:1–16

SPECIAL MUSIC “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken” arr. Bright

SERMON “When Resenting Is Preventing” Rev. JongIn Lee

*HYMN OF REFLECTION “Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy” No. 340
(vs. 1–3)

PRAYER TIME

THE GIVING OF OUR OFFERING

Offering Song “Make Me a Servant” arr. Hayes

*Presentation “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” No. 95

*Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, your kingdom is not like the world. Jesus reminds us that the last will be first, and the first will be last. As coworkers in the kingdom of God, let our gifts magnify your ways and lift up those whom the world leaves out. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN “Together We Serve” TFWS No. 2175

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE “Not Alone for Mighty Empire” Chesterton

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WE WELCOME ALL to this service of worship including newcomers and visitors among us.

PARTICIPATING IN OUR SERVICE ~ Leading us in worship this morning are Rev. JongIn Lee, Pastor; Dr. Russell Wagoner, Director of Music/Organist; and Pat Meyers, Liturgist. We appreciate them sharing their gifts with us as we gather to worship and praise God today!

BOOK CLUB ~ The Book Club selection for June is the best-selling novel *The God of the Woods* by Liz Moore. The Book Club will meet on **Thursday, June 19**, at 10:30 a.m., for discussion. All who read the book are welcome to attend.

OLD STONE MUSIC & COFFEE HOUSE ~ Join us on **Friday, July 11**, at 7:30pm (music 8–10pm) when Mad Slap Tones will be appearing for the first time at the Old Stone. A \$20 cover charge includes admission and unlimited coffee, tea, a cold drink, and yummy baked goodies. BYOBOW is allowed.

BLESSED BARGAINS THRIFT SHOP ~ Sign-up sheet for volunteers is posted in the sorting room where you can sign up to help on Thursdays and Saturdays (9am–2pm). There is always something that needs to be done as new items are arriving regularly! Please share posts and stop by with friends to support our beautiful shop!! Any questions, contact Barbara, Joan, or Diane.

PASTOR: *Rev. JongIn Lee*

LAY LEADER: *Dave Murray*

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST: *Dr. Russell Wagoner*

CHURCH SECRETARY: *Donna E. Mulder* / **SEXTON:** *Bonnie Mann*

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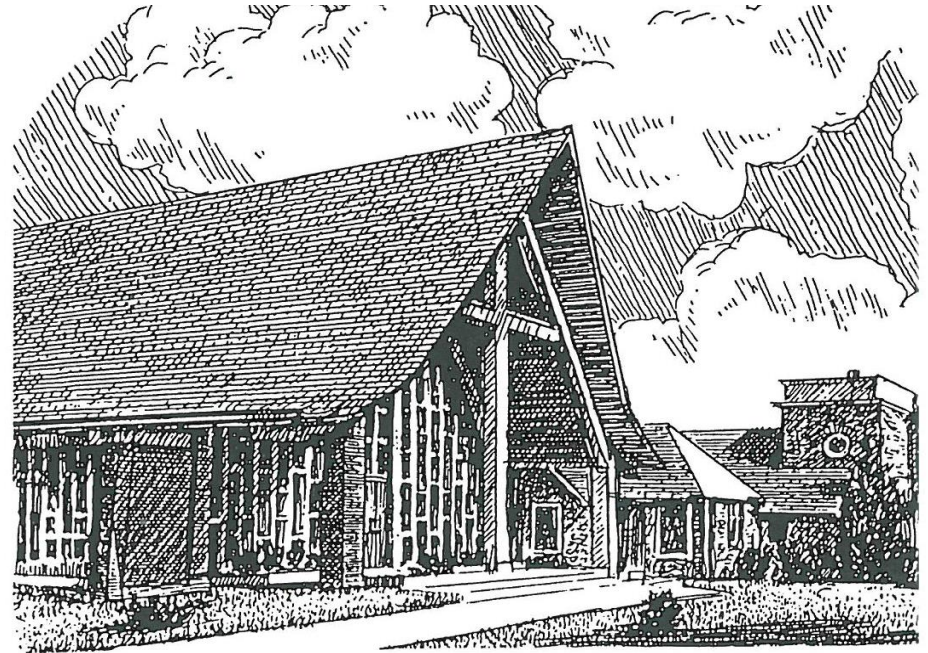
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AN INVITATION

*To all who would know God and do God's will;
To all who would live and work to make
To all who seek comfort and would find rest;
To old and young, rich and poor, saint and sinner,
This church opens wide its doors
And—in the name of Jesus the Christ—
Bids you welcome to this house of the Lord!*