June 29, 2025

10:00 A.M.

Order for Our Worship of God

(*those who are able are invited to stand)

WELCOME

Prelude

"Near to the Heart of God"

arr. Rodriguez

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather within these walls to sing, to pray, to learn,

and to worship a God who tears down walls.

Healing divisions, reconciling differences:

such is the world God desires.

No "them versus us," no "in or out," no hostility or exclusion.

Just outstretched arms and open hearts.

Just "Welcome, one and all." Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Loving God of peace and unity, we come together in your presence today, yearning for the wholeness that only you can provide. Christ, our source of peace, you have broken down the walls that separate us—walls created by fear, pride, and hurt. Yet, we admit that too often, we allow those barriers to rise again in our hearts and in our world. Holy Spirit, we invite you to move among us now. Please soften our hardened hearts, heal our brokenness, and calm our restless spirits. Unite us in worship, so that as we lift our voices and open our hearts, we can be transformed by your grace. Let the journey of peace begin right here, at this moment, with us. May this time of worship refresh our spirits and empower us to go forth as peacemakers, sharing your love in everything we do. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our peace. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN "I've Got Peace Like a River" TFWS No. 2145

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

Ephesians 2:14–16

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Be Still, My Soul"

arr. Rounsavall

SERMON

"And Let It Begin with Us"

Rev. JongIn Lee

*HYMN OF REFLECTION

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

No. 431

PRAYER TIME

THE GIVING OF OUR OFFERING

Offering Song

"It Is Well with My Soul"

arr. Bock

*Presentation

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

No. 95

*Prayer of Dedication

Peace-making God, we see violence and strife in our world. We pray to let peace begin with us. May the power of the Holy Spirit move through these gifts to impart peace throughout our community, we pray. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

"Let Us Now Depart in Thy Peace"

No. 668

*Blessing

POSTLUDE

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

arr. Althouse

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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 Andrews, Liturgist. We appreciate them sharing their gifts with us as we gather to worship and praise God today!

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 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.

OLD STONE MUSIC AND 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 some yummy baked goodies. BYOBOW is allowed.

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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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!