

July 20, 2025

10:00 A.M.

Order for Our Worship of God

(*those who are able are invited to stand)

WELCOME

PRELUDE “When Morning Gilds the Skies” arr. Tornquist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Children of God, in Jesus, Love became flesh and moved into the neighborhood.

We gather to worship Christ, the image of the invisible.

In Jesus, we meet the fullness of God with no barriers to access.

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In Jesus, our separation from God, neighbor, self, and creation has been removed. We are free for divine and loving connection once again.

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Children of God, come! Come, let us worship God, whose power makes Love visible to us so that we might reflect Love to the world.

Come, let us worship Christ, Love who came to dwell among us and within us! Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious and Sovereign God, we gather before You today, mindful that Christ is the image of the invisible God—the firstborn over all creation. In Him, all things hold together, and through His blood, we have been reconciled to You. Lord, help us to truly see Jesus as supreme in all things—our lives, our church, and our world. Keep us rooted in Him, steadfast in faith, and unwavering in hope. May we live as people who have been brought from darkness into His glorious light.

Renew our hearts with the mystery of Christ in us, the hope of glory. Strengthen us to proclaim Him, teaching and admonishing one another in wisdom, so that we may all stand mature and complete in Him. As we worship, open our eyes to Your majesty and our ears to Your truth. Let everything we do and say reflect the supremacy of Christ. We pray this in His holy name. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” (vs. 1, 2, 4) No. 154

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 Colossians 1:15–28

SPECIAL MUSIC “How Majestic Is Your Name” arr. Hayes

SERMON “Image of the Invisible” Rev. JongIn Lee

*HYMN OF REFLECTION “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies” No. 173

PRAYER TIME

THE GIVING OF OUR OFFERING

Offering Song “Above All” arr. Labenske

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

*Prayer of Dedication

Holy and Reconciling God, in Christ you have made the invisible visible, bringing us home with love beyond measure. As we offer these gifts, may they reflect our gratitude for your presence in our lives. Use them to build your kingdom, to restore what is broken, and to remind the world of your grace. May our giving be an act of thanksgiving, a sign of the ordinary magic of your love at work among us. In all things, may we live to your glory. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN “My Hope Is Built” (vs. 1, 2, 4) No. 368

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE “To God All Glory Given” Sawyer

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

PARTICIPATING IN OUR SERVICE ~ Rev. JongIn Lee, Pastor; Doug Gipple, Substitute Organist; and Brian Pobanz, Liturgist. We appreciate them sharing their gifts with us as we gather to worship and praise God today!

SNACK COLLECTION FOR CAMP YDP ~ Our neighbors at Camp YDP, a United Methodist helping agency in Paterson, need our help supplying snacks for their summer camp program. Camp YDP serves approximately 100 children daily and their snack cabinet is running low. Please see the flyer in Christian Passageway for suggested snacks (Goldfish, Pretzels, Graham Crackers, Veggie Straws, etc.) and consider purchasing snacks for the camp children. If you prefer, you can also donate a ShopRite gift card. Please leave all donations in the box marked "Camp YDP Snack Collection" in Christian Passageway. If you have any questions, please contact Diane Ribustello (201-406-4668). Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE for the 2025 LAYPERSON OF THE YEAR LUNCHEON honoring Daphne D'Zurko Mendolia on Sunday, August 3, 1:00 p.m. at Doc Watson's (20 Elm Street, Oakland, NJ). A delicious buffet is planned in their private room featuring some of Doc Watson's famous dishes including shepherd's pie, salmon and rice, penne pasta, salad, and of course there will be cake! Ice tea, water, coffee, and tea are included; cash bar also available. Price is \$32/person; please make your check payable to FLUMC (with notation for "Layperson Lunch"). RSVP with payment due by Monday, July 28, to Donna in the church office.

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). 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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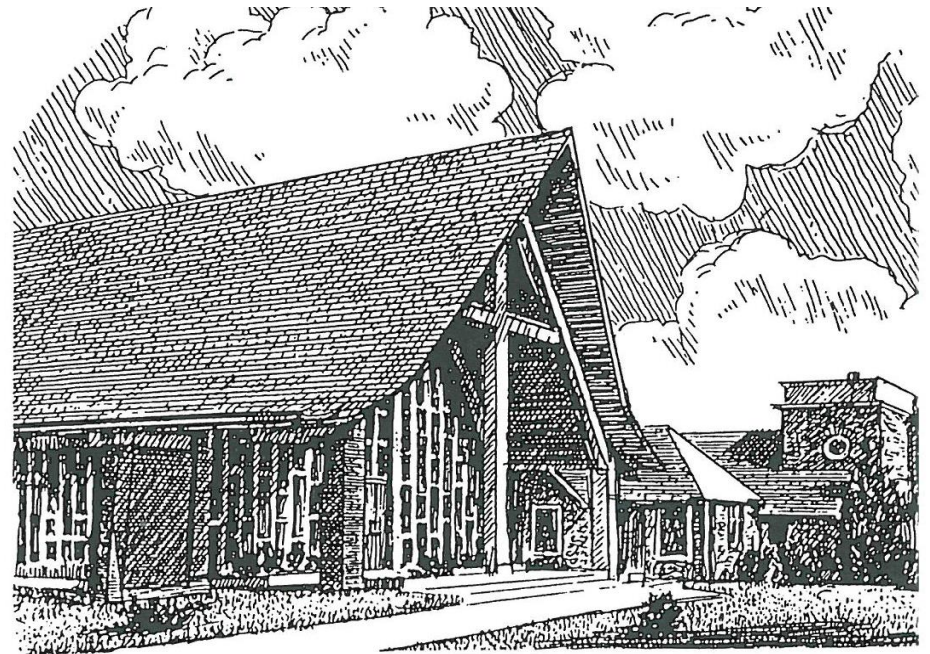
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AN INVITATION

*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!*