



# THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NEWPORT-MT. OLIVET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 18, 2024

11:00 a.m.

## GATHERING & PRAISE

PRELUDE

Jean Williams & Connie Sublett

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nancy Sasser

\* INTROIT

*Make Me a Servant*

TFWS 2176

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O God, you summon the day to dawn, you teach the morning to waken the earth.

**All: For you the valleys shall sing for joy,  
the trees of the field shall clap their hands.**

One: For you the kings of the earth shall bow,  
the poor and the persecuted shall shout for joy.

**All: Your love and mercy shall last forever,  
fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.**

One: Great is your name!

**All: Great is your love!**

\* HYMN OF PRAISE *When God Restored Our Common Life*

TFWS 2182

\* PRAYER OF APPROACH

One: Let us pray:

**All: Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit,  
you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth.  
Help us to see your light and presence burning in the hearts of others.  
Through this time of devotion,  
help us to be united as a fellowship of love and prayer.  
Inspire us with the courage to pick up our cross  
and respond to the needs of the world.  
Instill us with the stamina needed to serve  
as your hands and heart in the world.**

**And then, send us forth as bridge-builders and boundary-crossers—  
witnesses to your very mercy and grace.**

**As we offer you our worship this day,  
may our lives be rededicated to the bearing of the holy name of Christ,  
in whom we pray. Amen.**

## PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 2:13-22

pg. 192, New Testament, Pew Bible

One: The Word of God for the People of God:

**All: Thanks be to God!**

CONFESSION & PARDON

One: We cannot come before God unless we are first honest with ourselves  
about who we are, about the mistakes we make,  
and about how well or poorly we care for others.  
In this spirit, let us offer our prayers to God.

**All: God of all nations, we praise you that in Christ  
the barriers that have separated humanity are torn down.  
Yet we confess our slowness to open our hearts and minds  
to people of other lands, tongues, and races.  
Deliver us from the sins of fear and prejudice,  
that we may move toward the day when all are truly one in Jesus Christ.**

*(moment of silent confession)*

One: Christ is our peace; those who are divided he has made one.  
He has broken down the barriers of separation by his death  
and has built us up into one body, with God.  
To all who repent and believe, he has promised reconciliation.  
So go and live as people freed from fear and sin.

**All: Thanks be to God that we are forgiven! Amen.**

WELCOMING MUSIC

*Where Children Belong*

TFWS 2233

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SUNG RESPONSE

*Jesus Loves Me*

UMH 191 (v. 1)

MESSAGE *Ending Hostility* Pastor Fleischer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PROFESSING OUR FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* UMH 881

### THANKSGIVING

OFFERTORY *This Is My Song* Jackie Livesay

\* DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 95

\* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\* THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### SENDING FORTH

\* HYMN OF DEDICATION *Let There Be Peace on Earth* UMH 431

\* COMMISSION & BLESSING

\* SUNG DISMISSAL *Forth in Thy Name, O Lord* UMH 438 (vv. 1 & 4)

\* POSTLUDE Jean Williams & Connie Sublett

\* Indicates congregation standing (if able)  
UMH = United Methodist Hymnal  
TFWS = The Faith We Sing

