



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NEWPORT-MT. OLIVET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 20, 2024

11:00 a.m.

GATHERING & PRAISE

PRELUDE

Jean Williams & Connie Sublett

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nancy Sasser, *Lay Leader*

* INTROIT

Morning Has Broken

UMH 145

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Let your minds ponder the manifold works of God.
Let your spirits soar amid the wonders of creation.

**All: There is pulsating life all around us.
The earth is full of God's creatures.**

One: Sun and rain proclaim God's infinite imagination.
Moon and stars sing the glory of the Eternal One.

**All: It is God who shares with us wisdom and understanding.
We depend on God for the gift of life.**

One: We gather to worship and praise the God of all creation.
We come to learn from the God we only dimly perceive.

**All: We reach out for answers to our questions.
We long to find meaning and purpose for our days.**

One: The mystery of God is ever before us.

All: Let us live into this mystery with humility and thanksgiving.

* HYMN OF PRAISE

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

UMH 152

* PRAYER OF APPROACH

One: Let us pray:

**All: Source of all things, our minds and our words
can hardly begin to understand or to describe your majesty.
That we might even begin to approach you is only by your grace.
The mysteries of life in all its many forms,
the discoveries we are allowed to make,
the sweep of knowledge entrusted to our use,
the amazing resources of this planet—**

**all speak of a God who cares,
who honors us by creating us in God's own image,
and who provides for our salvation.**

**As we hear and ponder your Word, offer you our prayers,
and sing of our love for you this day,
may we be renewed and re-created by the wind of your Spirit
to become the people of love and compassion you created us to be.
In the name of your Son, Jesus the Christ, we pray. Amen.**

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Job 38:1-7, 34-41

pg. 484, Old Testament, Pew Bible

One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word:

All: Thanks be to God!

CONFESSING OUR NEED FOR GOD

One: Because the world is beautiful,
beauty is easily destroyed, and we are stewards of creation: **We need you, Lord.**

One: Because we are weak and frail;
because we know so little but pretend so much: **We need you, Lord.**

One: Because we cannot live without you; because we are afraid: **We need you, Lord.**

One: Because you came among us
and sat beside us, and heard our stories, and healed our pain
and let us curse you, and even kill you
but loved us to the end and won victory over all our hatred: **We need you, Lord.**

One: Because we have your message to proclaim;
because we have your kingdom to build;
because we have your love to share:

**All: We need you, Lord.
We need you, now and for ever. Amen.**

WELCOMING MUSIC

Where Children Belong

TFWS 2233

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SUNG RESPONSE

Jesus Loves Me

UMH 191 (v. 1)

MESSAGE

Out of the Whirlwind

Pastor Fleischer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PROFESSING OUR FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* UMH 881

THANKSGIVING

OFFERTORY Jean Williams & Connie Sublett

* 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 *How Great Thou Art* UMH 77

* COMMISSION & BLESSING

* SUNG DISMISSAL *Sent Forth by God's Blessing* UMH 664

* POSTLUDE Jean Williams & Connie Sublett

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

**No one can stand in the face of the whirlwind on a soapbox of virtue.
Being right is no substitute for being amazed.**

—Walter Brueggemann

**Where were YOU when
I laid the foundation
of the earth?**

Job 38:3, NRSV

