



**November 12, 2023**  
***Mission Festival***  
**“Presence as Mission”**

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**OPENING TO GOD’S PRESENCE**

*“Be still and know that I am God.” Psalm 46:10*

Prelude  
Welcome

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 30:4-7;10-12)

*Sung Response: New Every Morning* (insert)

Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones,  
and give thanks to his holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment;

his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may linger for the night,

but joy comes with the morning.

*Sung Response: New Every Morning*

As for me, I said in my prosperity,

“I shall never be moved.”

By your favor, O LORD,

you had established me as a strong mountain;

you hid your face;

I was dismayed. ...

Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me!

O LORD, be my helper!”

*Sung Response: New Every Morning*

You have turned my mourning into dancing;  
you have taken off my sackcloth  
and clothed me with joy,  
so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.  
*O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.*

*Sung Response: New Every Morning*

Passing the Peace & Fellowship Greeting

## **TELLING GOD'S STORY**

HYMN *For We Are Strangers No More* VT 409

Children's Time

Scripture Reading *Job 2:11-13; John 1:14-18; Acts 18:1-4*

Sermon

HYMN of Response *Here I Am, Lord* VT 545

## **SHARING OUR STORIES**

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Music for Meditation

**Generosity Moment** : *Offerings received today here and online, unless otherwise designated, will go to support mentoring expenses at LightHouse.*

Announcements

## **LIVING GODS' STORY**

HYMN *In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified* VT 754

Benediction

Postlude ... *receive the postlude as a musical blessing*

If you need a hearing assist device, please ask at the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary.

The Nursery is staffed with a volunteer care provider during worship (and Sunday School as needed). Children are also welcome to remain in the sanctuary! Worship bags with drawing/coloring materials are provided at the back of the sanctuary.

If you'd like to be added to our all church email list to receive prayer requests and announcements (typically 2 emails/week), please contact the church office or Pastor Tonya.

If you do not have a home connection to the internet and would like to receive a printed copy of our weekly newsletter, let the church office know.

**Photo** on front of bulletin provided by Heidi Unruh.

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Sound: Adam Pounds  
Livestream: Joel Iwashige  
Ushers: Dennis & Jennalee Boggs  
Nursery: Glenda Hooper  
Pianist: Shelley Kauffman  
Musicians: Adam Pounds, Maggie Pounds, Shane Miller  
Worship Leader: Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger  
Children's Time: DeAnna Goering  
Scripture Reader: Julie Esau  
Sermon: Heidi Unruh  
Generosity Moment: Jim or Heidi Unruh

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# Welcome!

We are so glad you all are here!!

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The Christ Candle and Peace Lamp are lit each Sunday as a sign of our trust in God's presence-with-us, our commitment to allow the peace of Christ to rule in our hearts, minds and lives, and our prayers for peace around the world.

*Your offerings are received, with gratitude, in the offering box on the table at the back of the sanctuary or on our website.*

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**TODAY:** *Fellowship time in fellowship hall* following worship.

**11:00am Sunday School** for all ages. Adults and youth are invited to join Heidi in the basement fellowship hall for Sunday School:

*"You Were There for Me": The Ministry of Staying Connected.* We'll share stories of meaningful connections, and practical ideas for how we can practice the mission of presence, within the congregation and into the community.

**Noon: potluck lunch.** Please join us even if you didn't bring food.

## **Thank you to:**

- all those who cooked and helped in the kitchen during our recent WNAF (Wednesday Nights at First) session;
- the committee who put the series together: Adam Pounds, Pastor Jim, Donna Davis, Russell Goering;
- Pauline Buller and Pastor Tonya for coordinating the children's activities;
- Earl Ediger for doing sound;
- and, everyone who presented and attended in person and on zoom!

**Silent Auction Items!** Be planning now for what you might donate to the Youth Silent Auction on December 3, as part of our Annual Meeting. Bring items to the church basement by 8:45am on Sunday Dec 3.

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

- **November 13** – Craft Night and wrapping Infant Care Bundles for MCC; 6:30-8:00pm. Volunteers of all ages welcome!
- **November 15** – Choir rehearsals begin @ 5:30 in the choir loft
- **November 15** – We'll Leave Our Lights On (community food drive)
- **November 19** – Fundraiser Lunch for MCC
- **November 25** – FMC serves at the Soup Kitchen
- **December 3** – FMC'S Annual Meeting, with Silent Auction & Lunch



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