

PRELUDE "All Creatures of Our God and King" arr. Cathy DeRousse
Amy Bender, organ

WELCOME Ellen Mladineo, liturgist

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Salvation belongs to God and God alone!

God saves through Jesus Christ reflected in all people.

God saves through every people, land, and language.

God saves through every tribe and nation, every race and culture.

God has made each of us to reflect Jesus Christ - salvation for all humanity.

Salvation belongs to God and God alone. Praise the Lord!

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***OPENING HYMN** "Lift Every Voice and Sing" UMH 519

Hymn History. The words to this hymn were written by James Weldon Johnson. He was born in Jacksonville, Florida in 1871. He became an educator and writer and in 1897 was the first African-American admitted to the Florida Bar since Reconstruction. He was appointed by President Theodore Roosevelt as Consul to Puerto Rico and Nicaragua. This hymn was the result of a poem written by Johnson to honor Abraham Lincoln's birthday. It was set to music by his younger brother, J. Rosamond Johnson, and has become known as the Black National Anthem. The Johnson brothers moved to New York City where they collaborated to write and compose Broadway songs. James wrote many collections of poetry in his lifetime and he was also a tireless advocate for civil rights. He died in 1938 in Maine.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

OPENING PRAYER

God of vision, you ask us in community to see beauty and possibility in our difference.

You invite us to celebrate the many ways so we can see you more fully. Continue to

transform our hearts, our minds, and our eyes to witness you in all places. Continue to

expand the ways we worship and witness and gather. May this community continue to

reflect you better in what we do with our hands, our words, and our hearts. Amen.

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PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO THIRD GRADERS

Congregation to Children: We rejoice in this step in your journey with God. We pray God will guide you, your family, and us as you use this Holy Bible in your home, in your church school classes, and in our worship. We promise to learn with you and grow together in love for God's word.

Children invited to stay with families or to go to Sunday School at this time

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC "All Hail the Power" Oliver Holden/arr. Wayne Fritchie
Tracy Paroubek, clarinet

SCRIPTURE

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK THROUGH CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

MENTOR IN MINISTRY

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Aria" Cesar Franck/arr. Charles Callahan

***DOXOLOGY #94**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN OF CENTERING** "Fix Me, Jesus" UMH 655

SCRIPTURE Revelation 7:9-17, p. 871

MESSAGE "Diverse People, One Vision"
Rev. Tammy Palermo

***HYMN OF MISSION** "Bind Us Together" TFWS 2226

***BENEDICTION**

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Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

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POSTLUDE "God Is Love, Let Heaven Adore Him" arr. Carolyn Hamlin

** Congregation invited to stand if able*

Mentor United Methodist Church

Traditional Worship | August 24, 2025

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