

The liturgical color is green for the 14th Sunday after Pentecost

**PRELUDE**

"Voluntary in D"  
Amy Bender, organ

John Stanly

**WELCOME**

Pam Schwaller, liturgist

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: We are saved by God's grace.

**Many: We must have faith.**

One: This salvation is God's gift.

**Many: We did not have it, nor did we earn it.**

One: We are God's accomplishment.

**Many: Jesus wants to do good things through us!**

One: These good things are God's plan for the way that we live our lives.

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**\*OPENING HYMN**

"Maker, In Whom We Live"

UMH 88

*Hymn History:* The music to this hymn was written by George Elvey. He was born in Canterbury, England in 1816. Elvey came from a musical family and as a boy, sang in the choir at Canterbury Cathedral. He was an accomplished organist and before he reached the age of seventeen, he was appointed to serve as an organist at Oxford University. He was appointed as organist at St. George's Chapel, Windsor in 1835. This chapel is on the grounds of Windsor Castle and is where Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip are buried. Elvey wrote music for special occasions for Briton's royals. He was knighted in 1871 and remained at St. George's until he retired in 1882. He wrote many hymns that are performed today, several are in our hymnal. He died in Windlesham, England in 1893.

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Great Triune God, we have gathered here in your name as an act of faith, believing that you are not only among us, but that you love us. It is often hard to recognize your love, see your mercy, and feel your presence. Help us today in our worship, that we might be transparent to your grace, as you reveal yourself to each one of us. Amen.**

*From ministrymatters.com*

*Children are invited to stay in worship or meet in the Narthex to go to Sunday School*

**WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC**

"How Great Thou Art"  
Adrienne Larkin, Dan Gallagher, duet

arr. Lloyd Larson

**SCRIPTURE**

Psalms 139:13-14

*\* Congregation invited to stand if able*

**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.**

**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.**

**FAITH IN ACTION**

**SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

"The Prayer"

Sager & Foster

**\*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**

**O God, all that we have was given by You. So, we give back to the ministry of this church with the assurance of growing the Body of Christ, here in Mentor and beyond. We freely give as you give salvation to all. Amen.**

**\*HYMN OF CENTERING**

"Just As I Am, Without One Plea"

UMH 357

**SCRIPTURE**

Ephesians 2:7-10

**MESSAGE**

"Children's Book Series - You Are Special"  
Rev. Tammy Palermo

**HYMN OF MISSION**

"And Can It Be that I Should Gain"

UMH 363

**\*BENEDICTION**

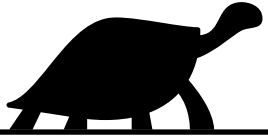
**\*BENEDICTION SUNG RESPONSE** "Go Now In Peace"  
Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.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

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**POSTLUDE**

"Voluntary in C"

Purcell



Altar Flowers are presented by Nancy Leyden  
In celebration of Kelsey Murphy & Jake Andrew's birthdays

*Opening in September:  
For flowers, please contact Kathy Fellows at 440.477.4485*




# Children's Book Series



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August 25, 2024

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