



† Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession provided by the United Church of Christ's Worship Ways publication

August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022

Scripture: Jeremiah 1:4-10 and Luke 13:10-17

Nursery Volunteer: TBD

Lay Reader: Shirley Nelson

Coffee & Doughnut: Pat Ferguson

#### CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>†</sup>

Leader: Let us sing to the God of Hosts

**People: Who provides for us, and whom we worship in this space.**

Leader: How awesome is our God

**People: Who created from nothing all that is beautiful in this world;**

Leader: Who anticipates our every need; who loves us beyond measure.

**All: O God, our God give heed to our presence. Hear our voices lifted up to you in praise.**

#### INVOCATION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>†</sup>

**All: When your love and justice do not flow through our lives, our community withers, and so do we. Forgive us, O God! In your loving care, show us again the way to participate in your realm.**

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS<sup>†</sup>

Leader: My friends, be assured that God hears our petitions! God continues to expect of us a life in which justice prevails. This is God's desire for us. We, God's forgiven people, are free to live into that desire. God loves us still.

**All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

#### TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Joys and Concerns

**All: Dear Lord, hear our prayers.**

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts, debtors)

Organ Response

OFFERING OF GIFTS & SELVES TO GOD

Offertory

**Presentation of Gifts\***

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen*

Prayer of Blessing

SPECIAL MUSIC

LESSONS                    Isaiah 5:1-7                    OT pg. 743  
                                  Luke 12:49-56                NT pg. 102

SERMON                    "Division"

CLOSING HYMN\*        *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* v. 1 & 3        No. 43

PARTING SONG\*        *Lord of Life*

**Lord of Life, Lord of Love, walk forever beside us.  
Day by day show the way, be Thou our vision to guide us.  
Striving to follow Thy noble plan, nothing can divide us. Lord  
of Life, Lord of Love, walk forever beside us.**

BENEDICTION, POSTLUDE, & CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE  
WORLD

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**August Meetings:**

**Tuesday August 16<sup>th</sup>, Planning Committee, 7:00 pm**

**Wednesday August 24<sup>th</sup>, Consistory, 7:00 pm**

Ongoing;

**Signups needed Nursery**

There are many openings in July for Nursery Volunteers.

Ongoing;

**Kitchen & Maintenance Teams Needed**

The Consistory has decided to try and create teams to assist with cleaning and organizing the kitchen and fellowship hall, as well as a team to take care of various maintenance issues around the church. We will not only be looking for members, but for team leaders who will organize the groups.

Aug. 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>;

**Garage Sale**

Make sure to place it on your calendars. We will be having our garage sale again on August 18<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup>. Feel free to bring boxed items between now and the 14<sup>th</sup> of August. We will be setting up the sale on the 14<sup>th</sup> of August and taking it down on the 21<sup>st</sup>.