

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

with UCC Westerly

MINDFULNESS SUNDAY

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PASTOR'S WELCOME

PRELUDE – Taking in the Quiet

DEACON'S WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

[Brother Roger of Taize, appearing in *The Iona Prayer Book*,©2000, Canterbury Press, p. 7]

To set the tone of this morning's service, some thoughts of Brother Roger from the Taize Community in France: "...[If] you want to follow Christ; here and now, in the present moment, turn to God and trust in the Gospel. In so doing, you draw from the sources of jubilation. You think you do not know how to pray. Yet the Risen Christ is there; he loves you before you love him. By 'his Spirit who dwells in your hearts', he intercedes in you far more than you imagine."

OPENING SONG -- "Spirit of the Living God"

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- Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me (x 2)
 Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
 Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
- Spirit of the Living God, move among us all;
 Make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love:
 Humble, caring, selfless, sharing.
 Spirit of the Living God, fill our lives with love.

UNISON PRAYER OF REFLECTION

[A prayer from the Syrian Church, appearing in *The Iona Prayer Book*,©2000, Canterbury Press, p. 14] Lord, open to us the sea of your mercy and water us with full streams from the riches of your grace and the springs of your kindness. Make us children of quietness and heirs of peace; kindle in us the fire of your love and strengthen our weakness by your power as we become close to you and to each other. Amen.

THE MORNING MESSAGE -

Scripture Reading: Psalm 23

Message – A Mindfulness Experience

Rev. Ruth

A TIME OF PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer & Silent Prayers

The Lord's Prayer in whatever words are most comfortable for you.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

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Acknowledgement of Gifts & Offerings*

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"Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ all creatures here below; Praise Holy Spirit, Comforter; One God, Triune, whom we adore. Amen."

CLOSING SONG -- Amazing Grace

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- 1. Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me, I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see.
- "Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved! How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.
- 3. The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A PRAYER OF BENEDICTION—

[taken from *The New Century Hymnal*, ©1995, The Pilgrim Press. P. 30]

May God's Holy Spirit lead you. May God's strength protect you. May God's peace be with you. Go now, in the name of God, by the grace of Christ, and with the presence of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

POSTLUDE — A selection by Doug Brummund. [WORDS & MUSIC: Doug Brummund, ©2020 B.R. Music. All rights reserved. Used with permission.]

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### Our Song Leader for this morning is Rev. Ruth.

# Psalm 23 (New Revised Standard Version)

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

# Psalm 23 (King James Version)

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

# Psalm 23 (The Message)

God, my shepherd! I don't need a thing. You have bedded me down in lush meadows, you find me quiet pools to drink from. True to your word, vou let me catch my breath and send me in the right direction. <sup>4</sup> Even when the way goes through Death Valley, I'm not afraid when you walk at my side. Your trusty shepherd's crook makes me feel secure. <sup>5</sup>You serve me a six-course dinner right in front of my enemies. You revive my drooping head: my cup brims with blessing. <sup>6</sup>Your beauty and love chase after me every day of my life. I'm back home in the house of God for the rest of my life.