



# **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

*with UCC Westerly*

## **HAPPY 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY!!!**

**July 4, 2021 @ 9:45am**  
**In-person &**  
**Broadcast live from our sanctuary**  
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### **PASTOR'S WELCOME**

**PRELUDE** – *“The Trumpet of Faith”*

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### **DEACON'S WELCOME**

#### **#CALL TO WORSHIP**

[adapted from *Touch Holiness*, Duck & Tirabassi, Eds., ©1990, United Church Press, p. 97]

May the peace of God rest upon our busy lives so that we may be quieted into prayer.

May the love of God flow through our worship words that they may come alive in our hearts.

May the grace of God seek out our every need and may the restless gospel set our hearts afire.

#### **OPENING SONG** -- *“Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory”*

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1. *Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;  
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword;  
His truth is marching on.  
Refrain: *Glory, glory, hallelujah! (x 3) His truth is marching on.**

2. *In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,  
With a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me;  
As he died to make us holy, let us die to make all free,  
While God is marching on. Refrain.*

#### **#UNISON PRAYER OF REFLECTION**

[adapted from *Touch Holiness*, Duck & Tirabassi, Eds., ©1990, United Church Press, p. 104]

**Gracious and holy God, we come to you because you have first come to us. We know you because you have revealed yourself to us. Give us in this time of worship a new sense of your Spirit breathing through us. Lift our hearts with the wings of song, heal our souls with the balm of prayer, enliven our minds with the words of scripture and interpretation, and newly enable us to dedicate our strength, our substance, and our service to your work in the world. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

## A SIMPLE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Statement of Faith [A New Zealand Prayer Book, #886, *New Century Hymnal*, ©1995 The Pilgrim Press]

**You, O God, are supreme and holy. You create our world and give us life.  
Your purpose overarches everything we do. You have always been with us.  
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure. You came to us before we came to you. You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus Christ, who lived and died and rose again. You are with us now.  
You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be your gospel in the world.  
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.  
You are our God. We worship you.**

Song of Preparation – *Let Us Break Bread Together*

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*Let us break bread together on our knees (2 X)*

*When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.*

Words of Invitation, Explanation and Consecration

Prayer of Thanksgiving: **Loving God, we give you thanks for this time of refreshment at the table of Jesus. Renew our faith, refresh our souls and increase our love for each other and all of your beloved people. Fill us each day with the light of your presence showing us the way forward through life you would have us follow.  
Amen.**

## THE MORNING MESSAGE –

**Scripture Reading:** Isaiah 61:1-4

**Message –** *Proclaiming Liberty*

Rev. Ruth

**Meditation Music:** “*All Who Love and Serve Your City*”

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## A TIME OF PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer & Silent Prayers

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

## OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*America the Beautiful*

Erin Blake, Soloist

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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 -- “*My Country, ‘Tis of Thee*”

[WORDS: Samuel F. Smith & MUSIC: Thesaurus Musicus, 1744 ©Public Domain, *Worship & Rejoice*, #731]

1. *My country, ‘tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing:  
Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims’ pride,  
From every mountainside let freedom ring!*
2. *Our fathers’ God, to thee, Author of liberty, to thee we sing:  
Long may our land be bright with freedom’s holy light;*

*Protect us by thy might, great God, our King!*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **A PRAYER OF BENEDICTION—**

May God bless you and keep you. May God's face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. May God's countenance be lifted up upon you and give you peace. Amen.

### *Sung Response – Let There Be Peace on Earth*

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*Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;  
let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.  
With God our creator, children all are we.  
Let us walk with each other, in perfect harmony.  
Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.  
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:  
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.  
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.*

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

### **POSTLUDE – “Postlude”**

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## **Isaiah 61:1-4**

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me,  
because the LORD has anointed me;  
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,  
to bind up the broken-hearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives,  
and release to the prisoners;  
to proclaim the year of the LORD's favour,  
and the day of vengeance of our God;  
to comfort all who mourn;  
to provide for those who mourn in Zion—  
to give them a garland instead of ashes,  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.  
They will be called oaks of righteousness,  
the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.  
They shall build up the ancient ruins,  
they shall raise up the former devastations;  
they shall repair the ruined cities,  
the devastations of many generations.