

Woodbury
United Methodist Church



Sunday, August 14, 2022

9:30am

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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

*Please stand as you are able.

WE COME TOGETHER IN PRAISE

PRELUDE

Rejoice, Be Glad
Kate Truini, Sara McGarr

Kate Williams

GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Neema Syovata

In the midst of your hectic week, you have come to worship God.

Our lives are pulled in so many directions, we seek God's guidance.

Let go of the burdens that weigh you down. God will take them.

We thank God for the respite we are given.

Tune your hearts and voices in praise to God.

Let our voices bear the joy we feel because of God's love for us. Amen!

*OPENING HYMN UMH #145

Morning Has Broken

*OPENING PRAYER (unison)

For the healing love you have offered to us; for the patience you have with us; for your presence that will never fail, we give you thanks, O Lord. Help us to always look to you for our healing and to return thanks to you by praise and serving others in your name. Bring our hearts and spirits to you that we may grow in our faith and service to you by serving others. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

THE LORDS PRAYER (unison)

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.

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrew Bible Reading: Jeremiah 29:4-14

HYMN OF PREPARATION #400 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

SERMON

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Remembering the strength of God's love and the promise of Christ's help, let us share who we are as the church in the world. We have known the healing and saving God in our lives, and we will know this God yet again. So let our offering today be our thanksgiving for the mercy and goodness and ever-faithfulness of God.

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

For Good

Stephen Schwartz

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

In a world of goodness and struggle, we are grateful for your blessings, O God. As we seek to endure life's struggles, as we seek to claim your life in those hard parts of our lives the very places you teach us to look for your freeing presence teach us to trust that you are always there. May these gifts be sent into our community, and into the world around us, that others may claim the hope of your presence. Amen.

WE SEEK GOD'S PRESENCE IN PRAYER

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

WE GO FORTH IN JOY

CLOSING HYMN UMH #347

Spirit Song

BENEDICTION

Having opened your hearts to God and received God's healing love, go now into this hurting troubled world with the good news of God's presence and compassion. Go forth to be a blessing to everyone you meet. **Amen.**

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Visitors are warmly welcomed!

Thanks to all those making special contributions to our worship service today: *Neema Syovata*, Liturgist & Reader; *Joann King & Barbara Etcheto*, Greeters and Ushers; *Theron Kissinger*, Audio Visual Technician

Woodbury United Methodist Church

We are a welcoming Christian fellowship who celebrate and share God's love with everyone. We seek a closer relationship with Jesus Christ. Inspired by His example, we strive to be God's hands in this world. Empowered by God's word, we proclaim the Gospel and serve through worship, study, mission, and community support.

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The Prayer Corner

In prayer, please remember the people of Ukraine; The people of Kenya; Bob and Martha Asman; Michael Etcheto, grandson of Barbara Etcheto; Linda Bailey; Anders, uncle of Diane Hibbard; Melissa, daughter Pete Vindigni; For Aunt Phoebe's transition into eternity and God's comfort for all those who love her; Aurelia (Watertown congregant); Bonnie Stevens; protection for our church, our volunteers, and our congregants.

Next Sunday, August 21st, we will be collecting non-perishable food and other items for the Woodbury Food Bank and blessing those during our time of worship. A list of priority items will be in the week's emailed announcements. If you're unable to bring items to worship, you can drop them off at the church during the week or in the cooler on the porch.