

# Woodbury United Methodist Church



Sunday, July 9, 2023  
9:30 AM Worship

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\*Please stand as you are able.

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## WE COME TOGETHER IN PRAISE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*Be Not Afraid*  
Sarah Kate Walkup

Bob Dufford

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Come, all whose work is difficult or who carry heavy burdens.

**We come to find rest.**

Christ's burden is easy, and his yoke is light  
for he is gentle and humble in heart.

**In him we find rest for our souls.**

Let us praise God together.

**God's name be praised!**

\*OPENING HYMN     *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*     UMH #64

## WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING

Zechariah 9:9-12

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

HYMN OF PREPARATION     *Come and Find the Quiet Center*

TFWS 2128

SERMON

Rev. Miller

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Following each prayer is said:*

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayers**

**WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY      *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*      Vaughen Williams

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE      UMH #95

**WE SEEK GOD'S PRESENCE IN PRAYER**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

**WE GO FORTH IN JOY**

\*CLOSING HYMN      *The Summons*      TFWS 2130

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE      *Rejoice, Be Glad*      Kate Williams

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Please join us downstairs for a time of fellowship and refreshment.

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**Visitors are warmly welcomed!**

**Thanks** to all those making special *contributions to our worship service today*; Anne Burke *Liturgist*; Barb and Jeff Hunt, *Greeters and Ushers*

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**The Prayer Corner**

*Our prayers for God's comfort and healing for Linda Bailey's daughter, Denise; for peace between the Korean nations; for our church in this time of transition; for an end to the war in the Ukraine; for peace and comfort for Brigitte Weimann; healing for Lou Calabrese after his recent surgery.*



# 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.*

*Rev. Herb Miller, Pastor*

*Meg Temple, Lay Leader*

*Chris Shay, Director of Music*

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## Thank You from Pastor Herb



I would like to thank everyone for the warm welcome last week, the tasty cake, and the wonderful basket of gift certificates. I've already been eating my way through them (well not the ones for the hardware store). Thank you so much for your generosity. - Pastor Herb"