

# Woodbury United Methodist Church



Sunday, September 10, 2023  
10:30 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                      *Prelude in G minor*                      Rachmaninoff

CALL TO WORSHIP:                      Lydia Temple, Liturgist

**We gather from our scattered places of labor and leisure to be in your presence. Redeemer of humanity, God-with us, We have come with all our differences, seeking common ground.**

Spirit of unity, inspirer and comforter,

**We have come from journeys of our own, to a place where journeys meet.**

So here, in this shelter house of prayer and action, let us pray and celebrate.

**For when paths cross and followers gather, there is much to share and celebrate.** May the grace of God be with us all.

**May God's name be praised!**

\*OPENING HYMN                      *O for a Thousand Tongues*                      UMH #57  
Verses 1-5

OPENING PRAYER                      Mary Grace Styblo

ANTHEM                      *"O Lord, Our Lord" (Psalm 8)*                      Larry Shakley

## WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READINGS                      Liam McGrath

Romans 13:8-14

Matthew 18:15-20

HYMN OF PREPARATION                      *Where charity and love prevail*                      UMH 549  
Verses 1,3,4,5

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Following each prayer is said:*

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer**

The Lord's Prayer

**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 RESPOND IN FAITH**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

*"O Rest in the Lord"*

Mendelssohn

Zachary Stains, Baritone

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

UMH #95

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**God of love and compassion, we ask you to dedicate the tithes and offerings we bring to worship. We do this in the hope that you will do more with them than we could ever do on our own to heal the brokenness and division in our world. Along with these gifts we offer ourselves. Use us for the building of your kingdom and as bearers of peace. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

**WE GO FORTH IN JOY**

\*CLOSING HYMN

*Blest be the Tie*

UMH 557

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Minuet from Suite Bergamasque*

Debussy

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; Lydia Temple, Mary Grace Styblo, Liam McGrath, Liturgists; Matthew Shupenis, and James Levario, Greeters and Ushers; Mark Davis, AV Tech

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### **The Prayer Corner**

*Payers for peace in the Ukraine, and all the Korean peninsula; for all of those who have lost so much wildfires in Maui and for the volunteers who are helping; for healing for Pat and strength and comfort for her husband Ed (neighbors of the Behlman's and friends of our church)*

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### **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*

*Christopher Shay, Director of Music*

*Matti Paparazzo, Administrative Assistant*

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### **Upcoming Events**

**Thursday, September 14**

Church Council Meeting, 7pm

**Monday, September 18**

Worship Committee Meeting, 7pm