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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH WORSHIP GUIDE SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2021 ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Prelude "The Lord's My Shepherd" Arr. Gilbert Martin

Call to Worship

Leader: God has called us to this place of peace and quiet.

People: We come, eager to find acceptance and hope.

Leader: God is always with us, offering refreshment for our souls.

People: We come to partake of this wondrous gift.

Leader: God invites us to come and rest.

People: We lift our voices in praise for God's absolute compassion and care.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise "Forever" Words on Screen

Confession

Leader: God of justice, by the cross of Jesus Christ You have made us all one and equal.

People: We confess that we have fears and prejudice that cause us to build barriers which separate us from each other.

Leader: Your way urges us to be accepting and understanding.

People: We admit that we keep Your grace for ourselves and become judgmental and critical of those who may not be like us.

Leader: Your way urges us to have tolerance and patience.

People: We admit that we wrap ourselves in our own opinions, and become short-tempered and angry with those who don't agree with us.

Leader: Your way calls us to serve.

People: We admit that we worry so much about our own welfare that we ignore the needs of our sisters and brothers.

Leader: Set us free from attitudes that separate us from each other and from You.

People: Give us a faith that leads us to be living witnesses of Your reconciling love.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: Remember! At one time we were without Christ, strangers and aliens. But now, in Christ, we have been brought home, living in God's household of hope and peace. Remember the good news of the Gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and freed to try again. Amen

Gospel Reading

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Reflection

"Holy Lord"

New Testament Lesson

Ephesians 2:11-22

Sermon "Lord, Make Me Thy Dwelling Place" Rev. Lauri Jo Cranford

Hymn of Commitment

"How Firm a Foundation"

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Verses 1, 2, & 4

Benediction

Postlude "Crown Him With Many Crowns" Arr. Dale Wood

Today, we welcome **Rev. Lauri Jo Cranford** as the guest preacher. Rev. Cranford is the Three Rivers District Superintendent and has pastored in the area for many years.

Mark Your Calendars...

- August 10: Church Council meeting in-person
- August 29: 5th Sunday Breakfast

Chancel Choir Party at Rotary Park

For returning choir members, and we especially want to invite NEW choir members. NOW is the time to join us!

- Wednesday, August 4 from 5:00-9:00 pm
- Harris Pavilion at Rotary Park
- Meat (BBQ), dessert, & drinks provided; please bring a side dish

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