

SENDING

***Hymn** "Great God of Every Blessing" Hymnal #694

***Benediction**

***Congregational Response** "You Shall Go Out with Joy" Hymnal #80

*You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you;
There'll be shouts of joy,
And all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.
and all the trees of the field will clap their hands;
The trees of the field will clap their hands;
The trees of the field will clap their hands
While you go out with joy.*

***Postlude**

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Welcome Table	

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Please rise in body or spirit, where you see an asterisk. *

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

JULY 30, 2023 9:30 AM

GATHERING

Music for Meditation

Welcome

Words for Preparation:

"Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy; I will comfort them and give them gladness for sorrow." Jeremiah 31:13.

***Gathering Song** "I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing"

*I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing (3x)
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.
I'm gonna pray when the Spirit says pray (3x)
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.
I'm gonna shout when the Spirit says shout (3x)
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.*

Choral Introit "All Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

Call to Worship (From John O'Donohue)

Joe Huffaker

Leader: In the out-of-the-way places of the heart, where your thoughts never think to wander,

All: a new beginning has quietly been forming, waiting until we were ready.

Leader: Awaken your spirit to adventure; hold nothing back; learn to find ease in risk.

All: Soon we will be home in a new rhythm, for our souls sense the world that awaits.

***Hymn** *“Now Thank We All Our God”* Hymnal #643

Prayer of Adoration

Call to Confession

Leader: The grace of God overflows for us through Jesus Christ, who came into the world that the world might be saved through him. Together, in a prayer of confession, let us trust in the grace and mercy of God.

Prayer of Confession

All: God of healing and new life, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
(Silent Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God!

***Response** *“Gloria Patri”*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

PROCLAIMING

Choir Anthem *“Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord”* B. Harlan

Sermon on the Steps

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson (NRSV) Psalm 30

Leader: For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us,

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon *“Joy in New Beginnings”* Rev. Dr. Sam Codrington

RESPONDING

***Hymn** *“In the Bulb There Is a Flower”* Hymnal #250

Prayers of the People

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory

***Doxology**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

All: God of healing and new life, you turn our mourning into dancing, our sorrow into joy. When our hearts are heavy and the nights are long, help us to trust you and to support each other. May your love and joy flow through us each night and each day. Amen.