

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER FOR PEACE

God of peace and justice, you have taught us to love our neighbors as ourselves, to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us. Today we raise Israel, Gaza, Iran, Kenya, Ukraine and Russia, and all parts of the world where people are suffering from war. Provide protection and comfort to the innocent who have been impacted. Transform the hearts and minds of all those who perpetuate violence and oppression. Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward world peace; may they not be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference. **Stop the wars o, God. Amen.**

*HYMN *Blessed Assurance* UMH #369

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

Though we may leave God’s house, we do not leave God’s presence. Like green olive trees in the house of God, we will plant our roots in the soil of holy love. Heeding the joy of God’s call in our lives, we go to share God’s love for all. **Amen**

FAREWELL *Go Now in Peace (2x)* UMH #665

POSTLUDE Pat Hansen

OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED **NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS**



**He himself is before all things,
and in him all things hold together**

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10 a.m.

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE
6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 20, 2025

PRELUDE

Pat Hansen

WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD

GREETINGS

One: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: The risen Christ is with us.

All: Praise the Lord!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: As neighbors and friends, let’s share our love in the Spirit with signs of peace.

The peace of the Lord be with you

All: And also with you

*HYMN

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

UMH #420

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come into God’s presence,

All: like green olive trees in the house of God.

One: We drink deep from the waters of life,

All: like young saplings in the courtyard of the Lord.

One: We ripen in the light of God,

All: like the fruit of God’s vineyard.

One: Come! Let us worship.

OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, your presence in our lives is like a green olive tree— a joy to the heart and a blessing to the spirit. Your movement in our midst is like a basket of summer fruit—a delight to the eye and a pleasure to the tongue. Speak to us your words of life, that we may sit at your feet and know that we are yours. Amen.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

“Children’s Message”

Virginia Lorenzi

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF YEARNING

When the winds of life buffet us, O God, we need your hand to hold us and your love to make us whole. Speak words of peace to our aching hearts, that we might find the courage to embrace the fullness of life you place before us. Correct our sight when our vision fades, and lead in right paths when we lose our way. Amen.

A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

There is no condemnation in Christ. In his mercy, we are united and reconciled with God. Rejoice that we find abundant life in his name.

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Amos 8:1-12

Colossians 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

“Experiencing the Presence of God”

Anthony Gittens

INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

May the gifts we bring bear the fruit of God’s love to our neighbors around the world.

WEEKLY OFFERING & NOISY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Pat Hansen

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #95

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Loving God, like baskets of summer fruit, you fill our lives to overflowing. May the offering we return to you this day reflect our gratitude for your many blessings. May they show our commitment to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Through your goodness and the sharing of these gifts, may the world come to know the richness of your love. Amen.