

THE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF SOMERVILLE

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 19, 2022

Worship 10 AM

Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/986500515>

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Gathering

Prelude *"Tut mir auf die schoene Pforte"*
 (Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty) *Helmut Michael Brand*

Candle Lighting

Greeting

*Call to Worship

When forces in the world threaten us,
When our bodies or spirits turn against us,
There is One who seeks us, One who meets us,
One who heals us, Whose love washes over us.
He sets us free for joy.
This One is the Lord. Come, let us worship God.

*Hymn "When Jesus the Healer Passed Through Galilee" *UMH #263*

When Jesus the healer passed through Galilee, Heal us, heal us today!
the deaf came to hear and the blind came to see. Heal us, Lord Jesus!

A paralyzed man was let down through a roof. Heal us, heal us today!
His sins were forgiven, his walking the proof. Heal us, Lord Jesus!

The death of his daughter caused Jairus to weep. Heal us, heal us today!
The Lord took her hand, and he raised her from sleep. Heal us, Lord
Jesus!

When blind Bartimaeus cried out to the Lord, Heal us, heal us today!
His faith made him whole and his sight was restored. Heal us, Lord Jesus!

The lepers were healed and the demons cast out. Heal us, heal us today!
A bent woman straightened to laugh and to shout. Heal us, Lord Jesus!

The twelve were commissioned and sent out in twos Heal us, heal us
today! make the sick whole and to spread the good news. Heal us, Lord
Jesus!

There's still so much sickness and suffering today. Heal us, heal us today!
We gather together for healing and pray: Heal us, Lord Jesus!

*Invocation

Almighty God, ruler of all things seen and unseen, through your Son,
Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, you show your power and mercy. You
cast out evil, tear down walls of division, comfort and challenge your
people, and show signs of your kingdom coming into the world. Grant
that we may lift up the discouraged, strengthen the doubting, and join
with all who seek to thank you for your goodness. Glory be to you, O
God.

Prayer of Confession

**Holy One, God Most High, grant us faith to confess our sins and seek
your mercy. There are barren places in our lives where we have
wandered far from you. We have listened to voices who distracted us
from your call. We have submitted to powers competing for our
loyalty to you. We have not taken the hand you offer to lead us out of
godforsakenness, and into your holy ways. God our Savior, forgive
us. Quench our thirst for you from the Rock of our salvation. Let
your love well up in us unto eternal life. Let us enter into your
kingdom, then send us out to serve you by the power of the Holy
Spirit, in the name of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Silent Prayers of Confession

Words of Assurance

Christ Jesus is the bread of life, manna come down from heaven. Christ
covers us with baptismal waters, so that our lives are hidden in him. This
Jesus, the Son of the Most High God, is sovereign even over the powers
of evil, so that his reign brings freedom and joy. Therefore, I declare to

you by the power of the Holy Spirit, in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven.
Amen.

Proclamation and Response

Time for Young Disciples

Prayer for Illumination

Holy, Holy, Holy One, Your words feed us, The Word frees us, And the Spirit gives us life. Grant our ears an appetite for hearing and our spirits strength for loving you. **Amen.**

Scripture Lessons 1 Kings 19:1-15a
 Luke 8:26-39

pew Bible page 322
pew Bible page 941

*Hymn “As the Deer”

TFWS #2025

As the deer pants for the water,
so my soul longs after you.
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship you.

You alone are my strength, my shield;
to you alone will my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire,
and I long to worship you.

Sermon

Offertory Prayer

God gives us more than enough for our journey of faith. Let us present our tithes and offerings so that others may know their blessings and give thanks to God.

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

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation

Thanksgiving and Consecration

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to our Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing...

(remembering God's acts of mercy and salvation...)

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest....

(remembering Jesus and that first communion...)

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we
offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving, as a holy and living sacrifice,

in union with Christ's offering for us. As we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

(The words of consecration, praising the Holy Spirit and the Trinity...)

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.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Interlude *Interlude for Communion: "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms",
Mary Beth Williams*

Prayer after Receiving

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sending Forth

*Hymn *"Great is Thy Faithfulness"*

UMH #140

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Refrain

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Refrain

***Benediction**

God feed you; Christ protect you; Spirit live in you and wash over you
with the love of God.

***Postlude “Heroic March”**

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