

Gathering Music

*All Good Gifts*

S. Schwartz

What's happening at Woodridge? (*see announcements insert*)

Opening Prayer and 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Call to Worship (*Responsive*):

One: Loving God, we gather together to praise you for your tender compassion and care of all people.

**All: Come, let us praise God.**

One: Gracious God, we gather to celebrate your supportive compassion for people who cry to you for help.

**All: Come, let us praise God.**

One: We are all called to gather together to worship God, in thankfulness for God's loving mercies.

**All: Come, let us praise God.**

Scripture Reading:

Psalms 150 (NRSV)

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament!

<sup>2</sup>Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

<sup>3</sup>Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

<sup>4</sup>Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

<sup>5</sup>Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

<sup>6</sup>Let everything that breathes praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!

Prayer of Confession (*Responsive*):

One: Gracious God, our mistakes are often too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

One: Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

One: Grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

Hymn of the Faith

*Take Me Out to the Ballgame*

Passing of the Peace

Scripture Reading:

Ecclesiastes 3: 1 - 8; 11a (NRSV)

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: <sup>2</sup>a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; <sup>3</sup>a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; <sup>4</sup>a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; <sup>5</sup>a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; <sup>6</sup>a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to throw away; <sup>7</sup>a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; <sup>8</sup>a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace. . . .

<sup>11</sup>He has made everything suitable for its time

Sermon series: "Annual Baseball Sermon: Timeless & Infinite"

Rev. Scott Spencer

Special Music

*All Things Bright and Beautiful*

Prayer Concerns and Celebrations

Offering dedication

Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* insert

Anthem *Many and Great, O God Are Your Works* Dakota Hymn  
Woodridge Choir

Hymn *For the Beauty of the Earth* Pilgrim Hymnal #66  
verses 1 - 4 C. Cocher

Benediction

Hymn *Morning Has Broken* Pilgrim Hymnal #38

Postlude *Bind Us Together* B. Gillman

*Welcome to*

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United Church of Christ



*An Open & Affirming Congregation and A Caring & Welcoming Community*

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