

*Welcome to*



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

Worship at 10:00 AM

June 08, 2025

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As a caring and welcoming community, using the Bible as a resource and the teachings of Jesus as our guide, we joyfully welcome everyone into our Christian community, regardless of race, ethnicity, class, age, mental status, family structure, physical or mental ability, religious background or theological perspective, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. As Christian disciples, we invite all to share in the life, leadership, ministry, worship, sacraments, blessings and joys of our congregation.

*\* All who are able, please stand*

Gathering

I See the Light

Alan Menken / Glenn Slater  
Sandy Nolan – piano

*And at last, I see the light  
And it's like the fog has lifted  
And at last, I see the light  
And it's like the sky is new  
And it's warm and real and bright  
And the world has somehow shifted*

Welcome & Church Life

Centering Music

Ode to Joy

Ludwig van Beethoven (1824)  
Prime Time Chimers  
cello soloist - Tyler Schadone

Call to Worship

One: The Holy Spirit sweeps among us, binding us together as family in Christ.  
**All: We are children of God, heirs of grace.**  
One: The Holy Spirit moves among us, creating and renewing the whole of creation, inspiring us to co-create with God and one another.  
**All: We are children of God, co-creators in grace.**  
One: The Holy Spirit lives among us, surrounding us with mercy and grace, witnessing to us about God's steadfast love for God's people.  
**All: We are children of God, witnesses to grace.**  
One: Whether in a rushing wind or a gentle breath, the Holy Spirit welcomes you here, for we are all children of God, brought together by grace.  
**All: We are children of God, knit together by the Spirit. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Opening Prayer (unison)

**May we feel your presence this day, Holy Spirit, like the people gathered on that Day of Pentecost. On this birthday of the Church and our church, may you rush into our hearts and fill our souls. May we be empowered by your Spirit to live a life more faithful to God. Amen.**



## Pastoral Prayer - 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 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.

## Anthem

Send Down the Fire M. Haugen  
Combined Choirs from First Korean  
and Woodridge Congregational UCC  
Bob Ryan - percussion

\*Doxology

text R. Lynn

Praise God whose breath fills all the earth, whose love re-veals our

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sa-cred worth. Whose Spir-it forms one fam-i-ly, whose grace brings peace and har-mo-ny.

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

**God of wind and flame, your Pentecost fire continues to touch us and bless our world today. May our offering bring the warmth of your love, and the glory of your holy flame, to those who are shaken by the buffeting winds all around us. Amen.**

\*Hymn:

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness (vs. 1 & 4)

NCH #286

### Benediction

Rev. Yonghwan Noh  
Rev. Aidan Myers Kelley

\*Benediction Response

## Blessed Be the Tie that Binds (vs. 1 & 4)

Pilgrim #272

## Postlude

## Announcements

### **Pride Sunday @ Woodridge - June 15th**

We will celebrate our annual Pride Sunday on Sunday, June 15th. Our worship will be a celebration of our Open and Affirming covenant and affirm that we are all created in the image of God. This is an important and visible witness for many who need to hear and be reminded that they are a beloved child of God.

### **The rescheduled date for the Woodridge Yard Sale is June 28, 2025.**

Donations can be brought to the church and put on the stage in Fellowship Hall from June 23<sup>rd</sup> to June 27<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 1pm. *We will try again! Keep your fingers crossed for good weather.*

**Thank you** for your continuing donations of non-perishable food items to the Interfaith Food Pantry – in the narthex basket or the box outside the Jackson Road office entrance. **Please** consider donating the following items during the cold months of winter: Hot instant cereal individual packs in boxes, Oatmeal, Hot soup individual packs (Lipton or store brand), Tea, and Hot chocolate. Also, there is a low supply of Peanut butter, Instant mashed potatoes, and Boxed milk, (liquid and powder).

**We collect our morning offering** on the way in or way out of the sanctuary. If you would like to contribute electronically, please scan the QR code below with your phone and click on the yellow "donate" button on our website. Thank you for your support of our ministry and mission



## Worship Ministers for Today's Service

Liturgist: Woodridge Children and Youth

Ushers: Grant Southard, Marsha Southard,  
Bob Cole, Marianna Sarty

Stewards: Marsha Southard, Grant Southard,  
Ellen Hunt, Bob Cole

No Coffee Hour today due to  
The 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reception

The flowers on the altar this week are given by  
Martha Ryan in celebration of her husband, Bob's birthday

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