



**First Church of Christ in Mansfield  
(Congregational) United Church of Christ**

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**SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 2022 - SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**Welcome to Our Guests!**

*We're delighted you have joined us for worship; the members are the ministers of this church...  
if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask us!*

**Playing the Chimes and Prelude**

**Greeting and Welcome**

**Centering**

**Opening Hymn**

*My Lord, What a Morning*

CH 708

**Confessing our Brokenness and Opening Prayer**

Let us join together in confessing our brokenness before God and one another.

**Holy God, hear our prayer**

**For the mending of our hearts, torn apart by our unkindness;**

**For the healing of our souls, wasting away from the despair around us;**

**For the forgiveness we seek for the sin we have allowed to persist;**

**For the reconciliation of the world, whose division condemns us;**

**We pray for the courage to admit our fault,**

**The strength to amend our actions,**

**And the hope that your grace awaits us.**

**Through Christ we pray. Amen.**

*silence*

Let us pray.

**God our refuge and hope,**

**when race, status, or gender divide us,**

**when despondency and despair haunt and afflict us,**

**when community lies shattered:**

**comfort and convict us with the stillness of your presence,**

**that we may confess all you have done,**

**through Christ to whom we belong**

**and in whom we are one. Amen.**

*\*Prayer of Confession by Beth Merrill Neel from "Hold Fast to What Is Good"*

**Song of Praise**

Gloria Patri

traditional

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Glo - ry to the Cre - a - tor, the Christ, the Ho - ly Spi - rit, Three - in - One; as it  
was in the be - gin-ning, is now and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men. A - men.

**Hebrew Scripture**

1 Kings 19 1-15

**Psalter**

Psalms 42

CH 740

**Gospel**

Luke 4:14-21

**Reflection**

Giardina

Bobbi

**Hymn**

*Lift Every Voice and Sing*

CH 631

**Call to Prayer**

Hear Us O Lord

Don Besig and Nancy Price

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Hear us, O Lord, as we come now in prayer, shar - ing our joys, our trou- bles, and our cares.  
Help us, O Lord, to be o - pen to your word, and teach us to put our trust in you.

**Prayers of the People and the Prayer of Jesus**

*During the Prayers of the People, when you hear the phrase "God of grace," the congregation will respond with "hear our prayer."*

*Please pray the Prayer of Jesus using whatever language is most comfortable for you. The following are offered as examples...*

**Our Father/Mother/Creator,  
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/sins/trespases,  
 as we forgive our debtors/those who sin/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.

**Musical Offering**      *Londonderry Air - Traditional Irish melody*  
 Laurel Thurman, Erik Haeger

*Offerings may be placed in passed plates, mailed to: First Church of Christ in Mansfield UCC.  
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**Doxology**

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise God all crea - tures here be low; Praise  
 5 God for all that love has done: Cre - a - tor, Christ and Spi - rit, One. A - men!

**Prayer of Dedication**

**God of abundance:**  
 you have set before us a plentiful harvest.  
 As we feast on your goodness,  
 strengthen us to labor in your field,  
 and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,  
 in the name of Jesus.  
 Amen.

**Hymn**                      *We Are Walking (Siyahamba/Caminando)*                      CH 442

**Benediction**

We pray, O Lord, for change.  
 Jesus you revealed God through your wise words and loving deeds,  
 and we encounter you still today  
 in the faces of those whom society has pushed to the margins.  
 Guide us, through the love you revealed,  
 to establish the justice you proclaimed,

that all peoples might dwell in harmony and peace,  
united by that one love that binds us to each other, and to you.  
And most of all, Lord, change our routine worship and work into genuine encounter  
with you and our better selves so that our lives will be changed for the good of all.

### **Blessing**

The grace of Christ Jesus,  
the love of God and  
the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**And also with you!**

*\*Benediction adapted from Racial Healing and Liturgical Resources by the Archdiocese of Baltimore*

### **The Week Ahead...**

Monday, 10am      First Church leads Worship at St Joseph Living Center

Wednesday, 1pm      Book Group in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, 10:15am      Worship and Worship Circle  
followed by Congregational Meeting

Pastor Joe has begun his three-month sabbatical (June through August.) There is a schedule for worship leadership this summer that can be found on our website, [www.myFCC.info](http://www.myFCC.info).

The Ministry of Caring will arrange for any pastoral care that is needed. Contact information can be found on magnets that are available in the front of the sanctuary.