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5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

July 13, 2025

Worship Service In-person and via Zoom

9:30 AM

Prelude – “Cantilena”

Rheinberger/arr. Smith

Greeting

This is the day that the Lord has made

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Opening Hymn – “My Hope Is Built”

Call to Worship

Called to be a people of faith,

**We gather to praise our eternal and loving God.**

Called to be a people of hope and trust,

**We gather to give thanks for God’s care  
and compassion.**

Prayer of Confession

**God of tenderness and love, breathe your grace into our lives.**

**Forgive our wandering ways, and guide us along your paths of  
peace. When we lose our way, and forget the reason and purpose of  
this season, carry us back to you. Lead us up to that high mountain  
of faith and hope, that we might truly proclaim: "Here is our  
God!" In your holy name, we pray. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

Listen to the good news.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God.**

Passing of Peace

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us be in silent prayer.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Offertory Reflection

Offertory - “Improvisation”

MacDowell/arr. Paxton

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

**Gracious and strengthening God, in you, we find the power to endure  
with patience and the grace to give thanks with joy. As we offer these  
gifts, may they bear fruit in your kingdom, strengthening the church,  
uplifting the weary, and sharing the hope we have in Christ. Amen.**

Epistle Reading – Colossians 1: 1-14\*\*

Sermon

The Great Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Supper

Sanctus

Memorial Acclamation

Great Amen

Closing Hymn – “Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”

Announcements

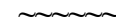
Benediction

And God’s people say:

**Amen.**

Postlude – “When Morning Gilds the Skies”

Barnby/arr. Koury



\*\*After the scripture readings, please respond, "Thanks be to God."

We extend a warm greeting to all who are attending our worship service  
this morning in person or on Zoom or watching later via a video link.

**The Flowers on the altar** this morning are given to the Glory of God by  
Carole, Rebecca, and Greg Wyant in loving memory of Geoff, husband  
and father.

**Today**

Lay Reader – Deb Allen

Communion Minister – Deb Allen

Minister of Music – Karen Leonard

Pastor – Reverend Geisa Matos

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

**Continue to support our Organ Fund** – Don't forget to leave your donations in the organ pipe display.

**Summer Office Hours** – Beginning the week of **June 30, 2025**, the church office hours are **Tuesdays from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM and Fridays from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM**. Regular office hours resume on Tuesday, September 7, 2025.

**Summer Children's Messages** - Our summer worship begins on **June 15, 2025**. Although we are not changing the start time of worship, which is still 9:30 AM, many of our programs take a break over the summer. One of those programs is Sunday School. However, the Worship Team would like to continue our Children's Messages during worship. We are looking for a few volunteers to present a message so that the children get to hear a different voice. If you are willing to present a Children's Message, please contact Holly Cerullo, [hbcteach@comcast.net](mailto:hbcteach@comcast.net) or speak to me at church.

**The sign-up sheet for the St. Paul's Meal** is now online. To volunteer, please click on the link below. The St. Paul's Meal will be served on **Wednesday, July 23, 2025**. Thank you for your support of this important mission.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040448A8AB28AAFF2-57376780-stpauls>

If you would like to have another **Hymn Sing on July 27<sup>th</sup>**, please submit your favorite hymn to Karen Leonard at [wcumckel@aol.com](mailto:wcumckel@aol.com) or [music@wcumc.us](mailto:music@wcumc.us) along with the two verses you would like to sing. I will choose four or five of those submitted as long as they clear copyright with our streaming licenses.

**Save the Date, Sunday, August 10, 2025!** - Come One - Come All! Big and Small! Fur, Feathers, Scales, or Fins All are Welcome!

In conjunction with the Blessing of the Animals worship service on Sunday, August 10, 2025, we are gathering pet food for the Lowell Humane Society's Pet Food Pantry. The Lowell Humane Society believes in maintaining the bond between people and pets for the life of

the pet. One of the ways they help fulfill this commitment is by providing pet food, free of charge, to those in need. If you are able, donations of all types of non-perishable pet food, in sealed packages, will be collected from now until the Blessing of the Animals event. Pet Food donation Collection Boxes will be in the Education Building lobby as well as the Vestry, beginning July 6<sup>th</sup>.

All types of non-perishable dog and cat food, including wet and dry options, as well as bird and small animal food, are welcome. If you have any questions, please get in touch with the Missions Committee.

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