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6th Sunday after Pentecost July 20, 2025 Worship Service In-person and via Zoom 9:30 AM Prelude – "Song Without Words" Manfield Greeting

This is the day that the Lord has made

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Opening Hymn – "Come and Find the Quiet Center"

FWS 2128

Call to Worship

Children of God, in Jesus, Love became flesh and moved into the neighborhood.

We gather to worship Christ, the image of the invisible.

In Jesus, we meet the fullness of God with no barriers to access.

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In Jesus, our separation from God, neighbor, self, and creation has been removed.

We gather to worship Christ, the image of the invisible.

Children of God, come! Come, let us worship God,

Whose power makes Love visible to us so that we might reflect Love to the world.

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

When the winds of life buffet us, O God, we need your hand to hold us and your love to make us whole. Speak words of peace to our aching hearts, that we might find the courage to embrace the fullness of life you place before us. Correct our sight when our vision fades, and lead us in right paths when we lose our way. 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 - "Little Trio"

Blake

Doxology*

Prayer of Dedication*

Loving God, like baskets of summer fruit, you fill our lives to overflowing. May the offering we return to you this day reflect our gratitude for your many blessings. May they show our commitment to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Through your goodness and the sharing of these gifts may the world come to know the richness of your love. Amen.

Gospel Reading – Luke 10:38-42

Sermon

The Great Thanksgiving and The Lord's Supper

Sanctus	FWS 2257-b
Memorial Acclamation	FWS 2257-c
Great Amen	FWS 2257-d
Closing Hymn – "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"	UMH 349

(sing twice)

Announcements

Benediction

And God's people say:

Amen.

Postlude - "Toccata"

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 – Maggie Elmore Communion Minister – Maggie Elmore 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 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 27th**, please submit your favorite hymn to Karen Leonard at wcumckel@aol.com or 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 6th.

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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