



North Liberty First

A United Methodist Community of Faith

August 30, 2026

Whether you are joining us in person or on-line,
know that we are here to journey along with you as we live into our mission: to follow and invite others to follow
Jesus Christ.

Prelude

Remembering our Baptism

Carrie McKnight

***Call to Worship**

Since your love wells up within each of us
and continues to grow daily,
**how could we do anything other than love
our brothers and sisters?!**
We pray that our faith in and love for you
is both visible and contagious
We want our light to shine for you;
We want people to see your love in such a way
that they will turn to you again and again.

***Hymn** **Maker, In Whom We Live** **UMH 88**

***Hymn** **Be Thou My Vision** **UMH 451**

First Lesson **Psalm 138**

Word for Children

Second Lesson **Matthew 7:7-8, 12 (NIV)**

Message for the Lord's Day **Reverend Harlan Gillespie**
Ask, Search, Knock

***Response to the Word** **Gloria Patri** **UMH 70**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the
Holy Ghost as it was in the beginning, is now
and ever shall be, world without end, Amen. Amen.**

***Hymn** **And Can It Be That I Should Gain (v1, 2, 5) UMH 363**

Prayers of the People

Together, let us pray for
the people of this congregation...
for those who are suffering...
for the concerns of our local community...
for those who don't know where their next meal will come
from and those who are looking for shelter ...
for our troops, police, EMTs, firefighters,
and others in harm's way...
for the world, its people and its leaders...

for the earth you have given to our care...
for the Church universal; its leaders, its members, & mission...
for peace and goodwill to all...

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, forever. Amen.

Mission and Ministry Moment: Memorial Gardens – Kathy Boyd

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

Prayer of Dedication

Living God, you meet us this day with grace that frees and a Spirit that gives life. You tell us there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, and we cling to that good news with grateful hearts.

As we bring these gifts, we set our minds on you—not on fear or self-interest, but on the life and peace you promise. Shape us by your Spirit to live generously, to seek the good of our neighbors, and to share in your work of healing and reconciliation.

Receive these offerings as signs of our attention being fixed on Christ and our lives opened to your renewing power. We give thanks; we give ourselves, and we trust your Spirit to lead us into abundant life. Amen.

***Hymn God Be With You Til We Meet Again (V1-3) UMH 672**

***Benediction**

**Life is short and we have too little time
to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us.
So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind,**

**and may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and always.
Amen.**