



Galena United Methodist Church
7th Sunday After Pentecost “Tending the New Creation”
July 11, 2021
SUNDAY WORSHIP THROUGH LABOR DAY 10:00 AM

We Gather in the Spirit

Prelude *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* UMH #400 Cody Clayton, Pianist
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Welcoming Pastor Catiana

*** Call to Worship and Opening Prayer** Draw the Circle Wide *Worship & Song #3154*
by Gordon Light; Words and Music © 1994 Common Cup Company; Arr. Mark A. Miller;
*Refrain: **Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.***
Let this be our song, no one stands alone.
Standing side by side. Draw the circle wide.

God lavishes us with the rich blessings of grace, God gathers us into mystery and makes it known to us, ... Open our hearts this day to strengthen our resolve to accept the challenges that come with this call.

All: Bring us clarity of mind so we might better know and understand your intent for us within your good creation. Amen.

***Opening Song** *Gather Us In* TFWS #2236
Words & Music by Marty Haugen ©1982 GIA Publications.

1. Here in this place new light is streaming
Now is the darkness vanished away
See in this space our fears and our dreamings
Brought here to you in the light of this day
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken
Gather us in, the blind and the lame
Call to us now and we shall awaken
We shall arise at the sound of our name
2. We are the young, our lives are a mystery
We are the old who yearn for your face
We have been sung throughout all of history
Called to be light to the whole human race
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty
Gather us in, the proud and the strong
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly
Give us the courage to enter the song

3. Here we will take the wine and the water
Here we will take the bread of new birth
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters
Call us anew to be salt for the earth
Give us to drink the wine of compassion
Give us to eat the bread that is you
Nourish us well and teach us to fashion
Lives that are holy and hearts that are true
4. Not in the dark of buildings confining
Not in some heaven light years away
But here in this place the new light is shining
Now is the kingdom, now is the day
Gather us in and hold us forever
Gather us in and make us your own
Gather us in, all peoples together
Fire of love in our flesh and our bones
Fire of love in our flesh and our bones

Prayer of Confession and Words of Affirmation

One: God of all creation, by your word and deeds you gather us into your family, as you gather all that is to yourself. But with arrogance, lack of insight, perhaps even hardness of heart we place ourselves above all other things, we disregard our connectedness with all that is, and overlook the synergy that weaves all of creation together.

All: We fail to see that we are family; along with the mountains and seas, the forests and rivers, the wild geese and the swallows. We forget that we are only one part of the totality of things.

Moment of silence.

One: You gather us into your loving embrace. We do wrong and act without consideration, but we do not have to live with brokenness, nor do we need to bear the pain of great acts of contrition, and spend our lives on bended knees. To be forgiven we need only ask for forgiveness.

All: So we come simply & humbly and ask that once again you extend your mercy to us.

One: As God extends blessing throughout all the earth and into the heavens, so God extends grace to us all and forgives us our wrongdoing. Be thankful and rejoice. **Amen.**

***Affirming the Peace Among Us**

The peace of the risen Christ is with you!

All: And also with you!

You are invited to turn to the people around you & wave as a sign of graceful greetings this day.

We Hear God's Word

Preparing for God's Word *Teach Me to Dance* by Graham Kendrick, Steve Thompson,
Glenna Shepherd; arr. by Chuck Bell; ©2021 Chuck Bell, www.chuckbellmusic.com

**Teach me to dance to the beat of your heart, teach me to move in the power of your Spirit,
teach me to move in the light of your presence, teach me to dance to the beat of your heart.**

Hebrew Bible Reading

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 (CEB)

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the LORD of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the LORD with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

It was told King David, 'The LORD has blessed the household of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God.' So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the LORD had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fattling. David danced before the LORD with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

As the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.

They brought in the ark of the LORD, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt-offerings and offerings of well-being before the LORD. When David had finished offering the burnt-offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

Psalm 24, adaptation in Song *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*

UMH #213

Words: George Weissel, 17th c.; trans. by Catherine Winkworth, 1855/Music: Psalmodia Evangelica

**Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates; behold, the King of glory waits;
The King of kings is drawing near; the Savior of the world is here!**

An Epistle Reading

Ephesians 1:3-14

Common English Bible

³ Bless the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! He has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing that comes from heaven. ⁴ God chose us in Christ to be holy and blameless in God's presence before the creation of the world. ⁵ God destined us to be his adopted children through Jesus Christ because of his love. This was according to his goodwill and plan ⁶ and to honor his glorious grace that he has given to us freely through the Son whom he loves. ⁷

We have been ransomed through his Son's blood, and we have forgiveness for our failures based on his overflowing grace, ⁸ which he poured over us with wisdom and understanding.

⁹ God revealed his hidden design to us, which is according to his goodwill and the plan that he intended to accomplish through his Son. ¹⁰ This is what God planned for the climax of all times: to bring all things together in Christ, the things in heaven along with the things on earth. ¹¹ We have also received an inheritance in Christ.

We were destined by the plan of God, who accomplishes everything according to his design.¹

² We are called to be an honor to God's glory because we were the first to hope in Christ.

¹³ You too heard the word of truth in Christ, which is the good news of your salvation.

You were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit because you believed in Christ. ¹

⁴ The Holy Spirit is the down payment on our inheritance, which is applied toward our redemption as God's own people, resulting in the honor of God's glory.

May God empower the Word in our hearing.

Time with Our Children

Like a Child

TFWS #2092

**Like a child love would send to reveal and to mend,
like a child and a friend, Jesus comes.**

**Like a child we may find claiming heart, soul, and mind,
Like a child strong and kind, Jesus comes.**

Witness to the Gospel

Together in Christ

Pastor Catiana

We Respond in Faith

Invitation for Prayer

You are invited to share your prayer request by writing your prayer on the prayer card in your pew. Prayers will be shared unless you indicate otherwise.

Prayer Song

It Is Well with My Soul (vs. 1)

UMH #377

Words: Horatio G. Spafford, 1873/Music: Phillip Bliss, 1876

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way

When sorrows like sea billows roll;

Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,

It is well, it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul. It is well, it is well with my soul.

Prayers of the Community

One: Spirit of peace, as we pray for our community. We pray for those who are like sheep without a shepherd, unprotected in times of trouble; for those who live their lives without direction, buffeted about by indecision and ambiguity; for those who appear like a rudderless boat, held in the grips of the tide unable to steer their own path.

All: Lord, In your mercy, hear our prayer.

One: We pray for those who are so rigid that when change comes it breaks them.

We pray for those who hold on to hostility and bitterness.

All: Lord, In your mercy, hear our prayer.

One: God, we pray that this might not be our story, but that we may be the face of a new humanity, the people who show a different way, where we reconcile ourselves to the new and peace reigns over the things that change. *(silence)*

All: Lord, In your mercy, hear our prayer.

One: We pray for our world. We pray for nations and people divided by walls. We pray for nations who believe their best defense is to separate themselves from those they perceive to be enemies.

All: Lord, In your mercy, hear our prayer.

One: We pray for people that take the difficult pathway of breaking down barriers of

segregation within their nation. We pray that segregation & division might not be the story of our world. Strengthen us as your church to model a different way, the way of reconciliation.

Prayer of Jesus: *Our God has many names. You are invited to address God in your native language or in the form closest to your heart as we join in the prayer of Jesus:*

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as 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. RITUAL OF THE FORMER METHODIST CHURCH

Ministry Moment and Offering our Gifts

Sherry Marc, Lay Leader

“CHANGE FOR THE BETTER” Mission choice this quarter, July, August, and September is Mujila Falls Agricultural Research Center, Zambia (#15016A) Addressing hunger and poverty with sustainable agriculture and leadership training.

*Singing our Thanksgiving *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #94
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***Prayer of Dedication**

All: Gracious and generous God, as David danced before the Ark and offered sacrifices & praise to you, we bring these gifts before you with similar joy & gratitude. Help them be distributed and used for the work of your church and the outreach of your Kin-dom so that all may know themselves as beloved grace-filled children. Amen.

We Celebrate the Great Thanksgiving

The living Christ invites to this Holy Table Fellowship all who love God and desire to live in peace with one another and the world. Communion in this United Methodist Church is open to all. Communion will be brought to you in the form of cup & wafer due to this time of pandemic.

Words of Institution

Phillip Jones & Taize Community

Let us give thanks for God, Creator and Sustainer and for God’s unconditional, passionate, seeking, saving love.

...On the night when Jesus was betrayed, ... and he shared it with all who were there.
Eat this bread. Drink this cup. Come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread. Drink this cup. Come to me and you will not thirst.

Take and eat this bread I give to you; ... ‘til the time when God’s Realm will come.”
Eat this bread. Drink this cup. Come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread. Drink this cup. Come to me and you will not thirst.

*After supper he took a cup of wine, ... so that sins shall be set aside.”
Eat this bread. Drink this cup. Come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread. Drink this cup. Come to me and you will not thirst.*

Breaking the Bread and Sharing the Cup

God's communion table is open to all who wish to share in this feast of God's grace.

Music During Communion *One Bread, One Body* UMH#620 Words/Music: John B Foley

Prayer of Thanksgiving

All: We give you thanks, O God, because in your own free gift of love you have reached out to us. You have refreshed us at your table, touched our deepest needs, and called us to a life shared in memory and hope. Send us forth with courage and joy in the name of Jesus Christ, that we too, may become bread and peace for one another and the world. Amen.

We Go Forth in God's Spirit

***Closing Song**

We Are Called TFWS #2172
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David Haas

**Come, live in the light
Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord
We are called to be light for the kingdom
To live in the freedom of the city of God**

Refrain:

**Come, open your heart
Show your mercy to all those in fear
We are called to be hope for the hopeless
So all hatred and blindness will be no more**

Refrain:

**Sing, sing a new song
Sing of that great day when all will be one
God will reign and we'll walk with each other
As sisters and brothers united in love (united in love)**

Refrain:

<p>Refrain: We are called to act with justice We are called to love tenderly We are called to serve one another To walk humbly with God</p>
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***Blessing & Sending Forth**

And now may you dance with joy in the presence of God, and may you know that you are God's beloved, sealed in the Spirit, and claimed as God's own so that you may serve God and your neighbor. Amen.

Postlude

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy UMH #121
Words: Frederick W. Farber, 1854/Music: Lizzie S. Tourjee, 1877, Harm. By Charles Webb, 1988

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July 17 - Celebration of Life service for Carol Ericson

Please join us for Carol Ericson's Celebration of Life service in our sanctuary -July 17 at 1 pm.

Carol passed away May 6, 2020 in the midst of Covid, so her service was delayed until we could safely gather together. Ron, Carol's husband, passed away the previous year, June 29th, 2019, and his Celebration of his Life service was held at Furlongs Funeral Home. However, on July 17, we want to honor and celebrate both Carol and Ron. They were and are an amazing couple that will live in the hearts of all who know and love them.

4-Week Worship Series begins July 24th: Quest

Whether you travel far away or see your local surroundings as if for the first time, pilgrimage has long been a spiritual practice, and “journey” a deeply-felt metaphor for our spiritual lives. “Quest” comes from the Latin root meaning “ask, seek.” This four-week worship series will encourage us to open ourselves more fully to the curiosity and wonder, reflection and

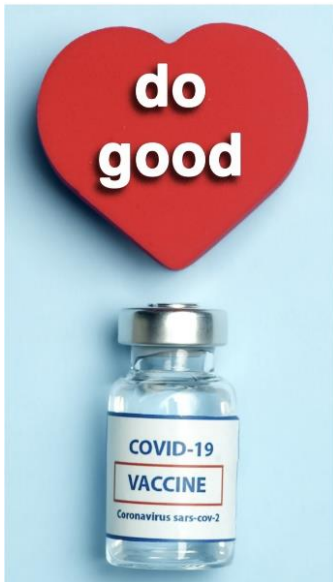


transformation that travelers—not merely tourists—experience when they choose to immerse themselves in soul-widening adventures. This series is adapted from Marcia McFee’s Worship Design Studio worship series based on an “adventure” guide for small groups by Tamara Gieselman and Kina Mallard, General Board of Higher Education and Ministry, UMC.

Upcoming United Methodist Women Events - July 14 picnic

The next meeting of UMW will be our District Picnic in Freeport on July 14. If you would like to attend, please email Sherry Marc at sherrymarc675@gmail.com. Our next regular meeting will be held in our fellowship hall on August 18 at 1 pm, and ZOOM will also be available.

GALENA FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP! Due to the pandemic, the need to support food banks has heightened. To donate, send your donations directly to the Galena Food Pantry or send donations to us, indicating Galena Food Pantry as the destination for the amount. To volunteer at Galena Food Pantry, please visit galenafoodpantry.org.



The United Methodist Church has a long history of supporting health care efforts, from running clinics to praying for health care workers to advocating for public health measures. We are part of a long history of Christians who have done their best to combat disease, pestilence, and plague.

At this moment, encouraging people to be vaccinated against COVID-19 is one of the most effective things we can do to promote public health. The goal is simple: to have all of our churches encouraging their members, friends, families, and neighbors to get vaccinated or to speak directly with their primary care physician about their vaccine questions. Some people may have questions that can be easily answered, but if people have deeper or more personal questions then we want them to speak with their own physician and not just rely on information from less-informed sources. The largest group of people who are not yet vaccinated don't need convincing or debating. They simply need encouragement, invitation, and support to take the next step in getting vaccinated.



Galena United Methodist Church

By God's grace, the Galena United Methodist Church is the Body of Christ striving to fulfill Christ's Great Command to love God & love neighbor, & Christ's Great Commission to make disciples.

Mission: "Love God" "Love Neighbor" "Make Disciples"



Affiliated with the Reconciling Ministries Network

"We celebrate God's gift of diversity and value the wholeness made possible in community equally shared and shepherded by all. We welcome and affirm people of every gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation, who are also of every age, race, ethnicity, physical and mental ability, level of education, and family structure, and of every economic, immigration, marital, and social status, and so much more. We acknowledge that we live in a world of profound social, economic, and political inequities. As followers of Jesus, we commit ourselves to the pursuit of justice and pledge to stand in solidarity with all who are marginalized and oppressed."

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