



GATHERING MUSIC

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

PRELUDE                      “God, That Madest Earth and Heaven”                      Tim Barnes, organ

OPENING PRAYER

**Spirit of Disruption, come and make us bold with love like yours! When evil comes to recruit us, we pray for the strength and wisdom to refuse. Though we may tremble at times, make us a community of noncompliance with state-sanctioned violence. A community committed to unwavering love and protection. A community in pursuit of your kingdom. We know you are close. Amen.**

\*OPENING HYMN                      “What a Mighty God We Serve”                      The Faith We Sing # 2021

WELCOME STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY AND CONNECTION

*[Please use the Friendship pads or the QR code to mark your presence with us.]*

Welcome to worship, God’s beloved!

**YES, I Am Welcome! Bienvenidas y bienvenidos!**



\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

***Bold type indicates congregational response.***

TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS

MUSIC MINISTRY "Order My Steps" (Glenn Burleigh)

READING FROM THE WORLD

TIME FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTORAL PRAYER

TIME FOR OFFERING

INVITATION TO OFFERING

*[Broadway is committed to the financial support of its identity, vision, and ministry by tithing. Consider making an offering this morning of 10 percent of your income from this past week. Please be as generous as you can in your giving. To give online, scan the QR code at right or visit us at [BroadwayChurchChicago.com/give](https://BroadwayChurchChicago.com/give).]*



\*THE DOXOLOGY

United Methodist Hymnal # 95

**Praise God from whom all blessing flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly hosts. Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Holy One, we are all entangled in the grips of capitalism, the cruelty of exploitation, the exhaustion of production. We dedicate these offerings to the work of deliverance for all people. out from under suffering. Out from under oppression. Out from under scarcity and struggle. May we play our part in making it so, that all your people may be at ease. Amen.**

GOSPEL READING

Luke 14:25-33

Large crowds followed Jesus. He turned to them and said, "If any of you come to me without turning your back on your [parents], your loved ones, your [siblings], indeed your very self, you can't be my follower. Anyone who doesn't take up the cross and follow me can't be my disciple. If one of you were going to build a tower, wouldn't you first sit down and calculate the outlay to see if you have enough money to complete the project? You'd do that for fear of laying the foundation and then not being able to complete the work—because anyone who saw it would jeer at you and say, 'You started a building and couldn't finish it.' Or if the leaders of one country were going to declare war on another country, wouldn't they first sit down and consider whether, with an army of ten thousand, they could win against an enemy against them with twenty thousand? If they couldn't, they'd send a delegation while the enemy is still at a distance, asking for terms of peace. So count the cost. You can't be my disciples if you don't say goodbye to all of your possessions."

Here ends the reading of the Gospel. This is the Good News of Jesus Christ.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

MESSAGE

Rev. Miranda Denler

HYMN OF PREPARATION "Spirit of the Living God"

United Methodist Hymnal # 393

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE PRAYER OF JESUS *[You are invited to say this prayer in the language of your heart.]*

**Our God 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.**

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

*[The United Methodist Church practices "open communion" which means that any and all who respond to the invitation are welcome to share in the Sacrament. You are invited to exit from one end of your pew and return by the other end of the pew at the direction of the ushers. We use unfermented grape juice for the Sacrament. You may bring your food offering\* as you come to receive the elements of Communion.]*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

CLOSING HYMN

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

The Faith We Sing # 2129

SENDING FORTH

Beloveds, let us go from here in confidence! Confident in all the power God has given us:  
To practice our agency, even under threat. To be creative and adaptive in response to struggle.  
To care deeply and actively for our neighbors, near and far. Confident in God's companioning presence, go in peace and courage. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Tim Barnes, organ

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*\* As part of our celebration of Holy Communion, we receive an offering of nonperishable, packaged and canned food items for our Community Pantry. "As we are fed, so we are called to feed."*

## CELEBRATING GOD'S LOVE FOR ALL PEOPLE

We are black, brown, red, yellow, white, and all the colors of God's created rainbow. We are lesbian, gay, bisexual, asexual, and straight. We are transgender, intersex, female, male, gender fluid. We are queer. We are questioning. We are every age. We are every ability. We are every economic & theological location. We are YOU.

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Office Hours are generally Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:30am-1:30pm\*

**\*For the most up to date information, please see  
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