Sunday Worship June 22, 2025 10:00 am

*Denotes Standing, in body and/or spirit

Worship Theme: Release of the Captives

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude	"Postlude in D'	" David Paxtor	n
Welcome & Ar	nnouncements (see inse	rt) Anita Stabler Hussey	y
*Call to Worsh	ip (Responsively) Is	aiah 61 Leade	r
Leader:		In Lord is on me, because the proclaim good news to the poo	or.
People:	He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners,		
Leader:	"For I, the Lord, love justic wrongdoing.	ce; I hate robbery and	
People:	In my faithfulness I will reward my people and make an everlasting covenant with them.		
Leader:	Their descendants will be their offspring among the	e known among the nations and e peoples.	Í
People:	All who see them will people the Lord has block	acknowledge that they are essed."	a
Leader:	For as the soil makes the causes seeds to grow,	sprout come up and a garden	
People:	-	will make righteousness an e all nations.	nd
*Opening Hym	n "In Christ There is (v. 1,3,4)		18

*Opening Prayer (Unison) by Denise Wiley Leader Heavenly Father, we thank you and praise you for the blessing of this day and time in worship. We call upon your power and mercy to pour over us now, especially in all the ways darkness consumes our hearts and the ways we live. We pray today for your loving presence and holy words to deliver us from bondage and that they will have a transformative impact in our lives. Let the mighty power of your words sooth and lift our spirits, and open our hearts to you, O Lord who are all good and deserving of all our love. In the name of your son Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

A Time for Children of All Ages

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

Lector:	nt Lesson: <u>1 Samuel 16:14–23</u> (I The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!	NRSVUE) Leader			
*Gospel Lesson:Luke 8:26-39(NRSVUE)Lector:The Word of God for the People of GodPeople:Thanks be to God!					
Message	"Good News from a Den	non" Pastor Chuck			
WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD					
*Hymn of Res	sponse "As the Deer"	TFWS #2025			
We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns Pastoral Prayer					
*Doxology	Th	e Offering of our Gifts			

Offering Prayer (Unison) by a UMCM Angel

Almighty loving God, nothing is impossible for you. Even the forces of evil have no dominion over you. But that doesn't mean we are immune to these forces. We know we are vulnerable. But if You allow it, You can redeem it. Please Lord, use these gifts we offer up to you today for your honor and glory. We pray they will bring hope and soothing calm to those in need. In Jesus' holy name we pray. Amen.

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*Sending Hymn	"There is A Balm In Gilead"	UMH #375
*Benediction		
*Benediction Respons	e "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me " (v. 1)	UMH #361
Postlude	()	

Join Us for Coffee Hour hosted by Rose Aiello

Coming Up:

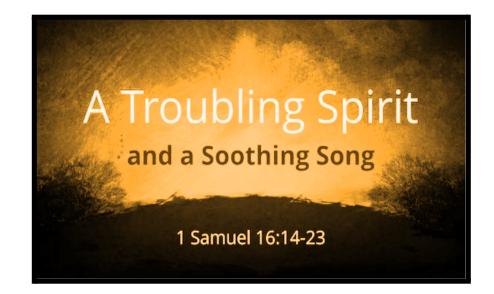
June 29th - Sunday Worship Service @10am - Join us LIVE or ONLINE as we resume our study of God's Word to understand how "Jesus is our Rock" (Matthew 7:24-29) as shared by Brenda P.! Come to support the ministry of our Laity!

> Join us Wednesday's @ 7:30am for Wednesday-Wakeup Devotional & Fellowship





Zoom Link (Live Meeting) YouTube (https://bitly.com/WWakeup) (Recorded Sessions)



Worship Livestream Zoom link: https://zoom.us/i/96540669674?pwd=OEVTYXdILzBucDR4Yz **BvdEwvSlkyQT09**

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