

Sunday Worship

June 14, 2026 10:00 am

**Denotes Standing, in body and/or spirit*

Worship Theme: Caring for the “Least of These”

WE GATHER AS GOD’S PEOPLE

Prelude “Ceremonial March” Rex Koury

Welcome & Announcements (see insert) Lynn Abbott

***Call to Worship (Responsively)** Psalm 146 Leader

Leader: Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord, my soul.

People: I will praise the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

Leader: He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.

People: The Lord sets prisoners free, the Lord gives sight to the blind, the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down, the Lord loves the righteous.

Leader: The Lord watches over the foreigner and sustains the fatherless and the widow, but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

People: The Lord reigns forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!

***Opening Hymn** “Lift High the Cross” UMH #159
(v. 1,3,4)

***Opening Prayer (Unison)** Leader
Heavenly Father, we thank you for another opportunity to worship you. You are worthy. We gather as your children, desiring a deeper connection with one another and with you, because you remind us that we are worthy. Lord, help us to see You in all those who you bless us to meet this week, because they are worthy as well. May this time of worship, singing, prayers, and witness, remind us that you have empowered us to feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, and release those in bondage. You have freed us, Lord. May we be instruments of your freedom and compassion in this world. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Offering the Peace of Christ

CHOIR ANTHEM

“Bless His Holy Name”

Tom Fettke

A Time for Children of All Ages

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Lesson: [Isaiah 58:6-9a](#) (NRSV) Leader

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

***Gospel Lesson:** [Matthew 25:31-40](#) (NRSV)

Lector: The Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God!

Message HomeBridge Ventures Tiffany Anderson

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***Hymn of Response** “The Summons” TFWS #2130
(v. 1, 3, 4, 5)

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns Pastoral Prayer

***Doxology** The Offering of our Gifts

Offering Prayer (Unison)

Holy Jesus, we come to your altar to present these gifts back to you. However, we know that everything that we have, and everything we are, is a gift from you. So, we offer these treasures, and our resources back into your service. Use them, and use us, as you will to be the hand that helps, the smile that soothes, and the funds that heal this broken world. You are the great physician; may Your will be done. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*Sending Hymn "Go to the World" WS #3158
*Benediction
*Benediction Response "Pass It On" UMH #572
(v.1)
Postlude

Join us for Coffee Hour hosted by Rose Aiello

Coming Up:

June 21st - Sunday Worship Service @10am - Join us LIVE or ONLINE as we resume our study of God's Word ([Matthew 10:24-39](#)) to absorb some challenging teaching from Jesus. How much are you willing to give us to gain your true life?

Join us Wednesday's @ 7:30am for

Wednesday-Wakeup Devotional & Fellowship



[Zoom Link](#)

(Live Meeting)



[YouTube \(https://bitly.com/WWakeup\)](https://bitly.com/WWakeup)

(Recorded Sessions)

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