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MT. LEBANON EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE**

August 16, 2026

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**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE** "Holy Is the Lord" Tomlin

**OPENING PRAYER** Elder James Ombiri

**OPENING MUSIC** "This is Amazing Grace"  
"Firm Foundation"

**CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON** Melanie Catana

**SONG OF ASSURANCE** "There is a Redeemer" #308

**CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED FOR CHILDREN'S WORSHIP**

**TIME FOR GREETING**

**GLORIA PATRI** "Glory Be to the Father" #813

**SCRIPTURE** Ruth 1:1-6, 16-19 Deacon Judi Phelps  
Ruth 2:1-6, 8-9

**SERMON** Small Story, Big Promises Rev. Dr. Carolyn Poteet

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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 debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

**CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day, He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there, He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**OFFERTORY** "There is a Balm in Gilead"

**CLOSING HYMN** "Where You Go I'll Go"

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** "Hymn to Joy" Beethoven/Carter