

# LOAD



# COURAGEOUSLY

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**JUNE 21, 2026**

# Traditional Worship

8:15 am Sanctuary

*\*Please stand or lift your heart*

## WELCOME

Rev. Sarah Slack



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## OPENING PRAYER

### PRELUDE

*How Firm a Foundation*  
arr. David W. Music  
Dr. Jenny Anderson, piano

### \*HYMN No. 577

*God of Grace and God of Glory*  
CWM RHONDDA

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

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### \*GLORIA PATRI No. 70

*Glory Be to the Father*  
MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

## SCRIPTURE READING

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## SERMON

UMC Vision: Lead Courageously  
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## ANTHEM

*Be Thou My Vision*  
arr. Marie Pooler  
Morning Glory Chorus; Dr. Dwight Dockery, conductor

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise,  
thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
thou, and thou only, first in my heart,  
great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Light of my soul after victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all. Amen.

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH No. 883**

A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

**TIME OF PRAYER**

**OFFERING MOMENT**

**OFFERTORY**

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*  
arr. Terry D. Wilson

**\*DOXOLOGY No. 94**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*  
LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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!  
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**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**\*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  
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.

**\*HYMN No. 133**

*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*  
SHOWALTER

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me*  
arr. Jeremy Zimmer

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### PRELUDE

*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*  
arr. Gordon Young  
Dr. Jenny Anderson, organ

### INTROIT

*My Hope Is Built*  
William B. Bradbury  
Chancel Choir; Dr. Dwight Dockery, conductor

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.  
On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand;  
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### CENTERING HYMN No. 393

*Spirit of the Living God*

LIVING GOD

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

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**\*BENEDICTION****\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

*Sent Forth By God's Blessing*  
Welsh folk tune

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,  
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.  
The service is ended, O now be extended  
the fruits of our worship in all who believe.  
The seed of the teaching, receptive souls reaching,  
shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
God's grace did invite us, and love shall united us  
to work for God's kingdom and answer the call.

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Postlude in G*  
Greg Brakebill

# Contemporary Worship

10:30 am | Asbury Hall

## WELCOME MUSIC

The Band

*Great Things*  
Phil Wickman

## WELCOME

Ralph Jeffers



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## WORSHIP

*Standing In Your Love*  
Bethel Music

*Good Grace*  
Hillsong United

*Peace Be Still*  
Hope Darst

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Rev. Dr. Greta Smith

## OFFERING

*No Longer Slaves*  
I AM THEY

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Rev. Smith

## CLOSING WORSHIP

*Everlasting God*  
Lincoln Brewster

## BENEDICTION



## JUNE SERVICE & FUN

\*No Life groups on the 21<sup>st</sup> - Father's Day

- 28<sup>th</sup> - Life Groups
- 30<sup>th</sup> - Dollywood Trip

[1stchurch.org/students](http://1stchurch.org/students)

## HELP FEED KIDS THIS SUMMER!

COLLECTING ITEMS  
TUESDAYS, June 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 am to 5:00 pm



- Pull top cans or microwavable containers of food like Spaghetti-O's, Ravioli, Beef-a-Roni
- Microwavable cups of Mac n' Cheese
- Applesauce Pouches



## SUMMER SERVICE & SURPRISES

TUESDAYS  
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
JUNE 23  
JULY 7, 14, 21

- PACK AND DELIVER MEALS
- ENJOY A KID FRIENDLY MEAL
- TAKE PART IN A HANDS-ON ACTIVITY



FOR CHILDREN 2ND GRADE-5TH GRADE  
[1stchurch.org/summer-service](http://1stchurch.org/summer-service)



Enjoy great music, food and greet our new associate pastor!



Rev. Teanna Black



## BBQ & BLUEGRASS

Sunday, July 5th at 5:00 pm  
Asbury Hall (lower level)

Bring side dishes and/or desserts to share!

Please sign up by June 29<sup>th</sup> at:  
[1stchurch.org/BBQ](http://1stchurch.org/BBQ) or call 865-982-1273.



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