

Celebration of Worship

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10:30 am

Pentecost Sunday

Enter in Prayer, Worship with Gratitude, Go Forth to Serve

Opening Voluntary

Veni, Creator Spiritus
Christopher Shaw, organ

arr. Libby Larsen

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

Call to Worship

***Opening Hymn**

As the Wind Song through the Trees

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***Responsive Sentence**

From the United Church of Christ "Worship Ways"

One: God of Life,

All: you are as near to us as our breath.

One: Touch our eyes,

All: that we may see you in one another.

One: Open our ears,

All: that we may hear your voice in the cries of the oppressed.

One: Enter our hearts,

All: that we may be filled with your love toward all people.

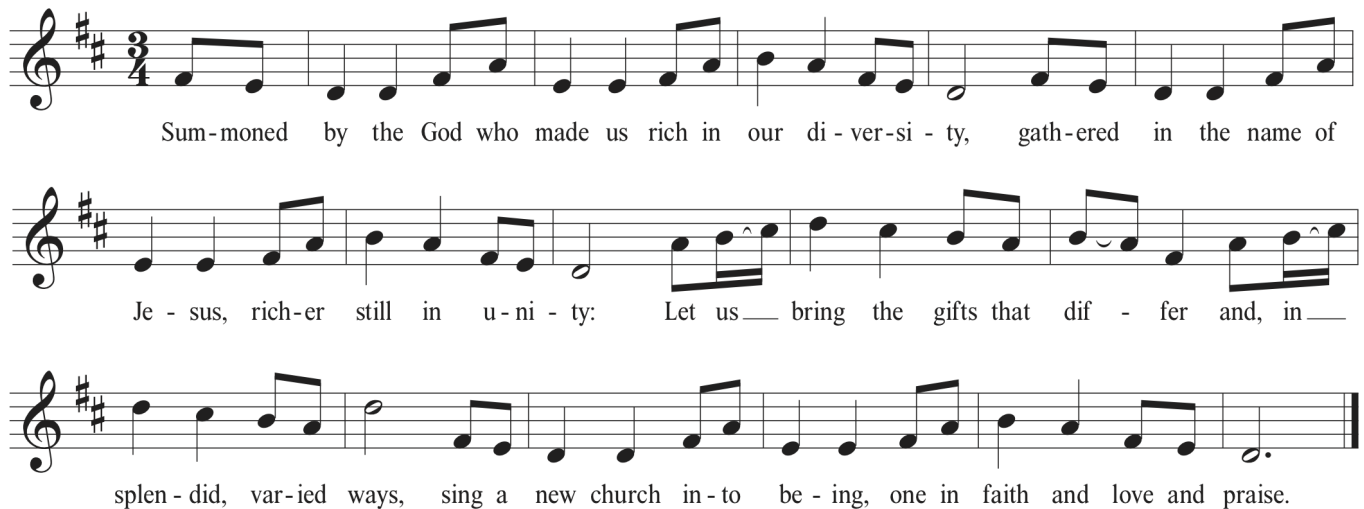
One: Come, O God of life and breath and wholeness.

All: Be with us now. Show us the way to new life and grant us the courage to be people of your Way.

*Response of Praise

Summoned by the God

NETTLETON



Sum-moned by the God who made us rich in our di-ver-si-ty, gath-ered in the name of

Je-sus, rich-er still in u-ni-ty: Let us bring the gifts that dif-fer and, in

splen-did, var-ied ways, sing a new church in-to be-ing, one in faith and love and praise.

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*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

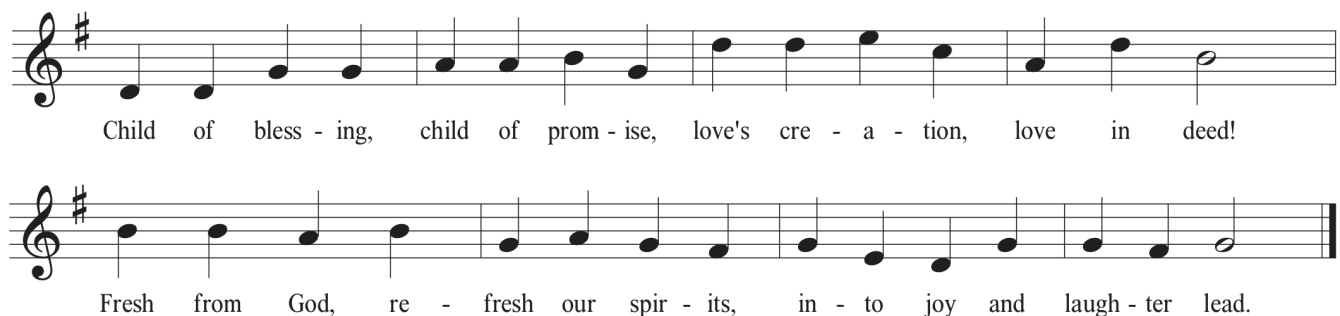
Open our minds that they may be like fertile soil where seeds of new understanding can take root and grow bringing us ever closer to you and the one who prayed... *Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our 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.*

Welcoming Song

Child of Blessing

STUTT GART

(Let the children come forward.)



Child of bless-ing, child of prom-ise, love's cre-a-tion, love in deed!

Fresh from God, re-fresh our spir-its, in-to joy and laugh-ter lead.

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A Moment with Our Children

Abby Arthur

Solo

Hymn of Promise
Virginia Revering

Natalie Sleeth

In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness,
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

From *Enfleshed.com*

Organ Response

Invitation to Offering

Anthem

O the Boundless Love of God

Dana Mengel

O the boundless love of God,
Ever-flowing free,
All around me above and below,
Flowing wide as the sea.

O the boundless love of God,
Endless as the sky,
Glowing brighter than all the stars,
Clothed in glory divine.

O the love that embraces me.
Sing my soul, set the praises free:
Alleluia, sing for eternity!
O how vast, O how broad is the love of God!

O the boundless love of God,
Ever-flowing free,
All around me above and below,
Flowing wide as the sea.

O the boundless love of God,
Endless as the sky,
Glowing brighter than all the stars,
Clothed in glory divine.

O the love that embraces me.
Sing my soul, set the praises free,
Alleluia! Sing for eternity;
How vast is the love of God! Amen.

Scripture

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.' Then I said, 'Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.' But the Lord said to me, 'Do not say, "I am only a boy"; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.' Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, 'Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.'

Sermon

“I Still Trust Women”

Dr. Robu

***Hymn of Departure** *Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom*

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***Benediction**

Closing Voluntary

Every Time I Feel the Spirit
Christopher Shaw, organ

arr. Aaron David Miller

***Let everyone stand in body or in spirit.**

North Entry Greeter Joseph Henderson

Communion Table Flowers provided by Joseph Henderson

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Word @ Vote

The Divine Arts of Knowledge and Exultation

Saturday, June 25, 1:00-8:00 PM

Love Talks with Diana Butler Bass, Valarie Kaur, and Mihee Kim-Kort
Saturday, June 25, 1:00-8:00 PM | Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview | Tickets \$75

ANNUAL MEETING & CONFERENCE

JUNE 25-28, 2022

WICHITA, KANSAS

“...And the Greatest of These is Love”



1 CORINTHIANS 13:13

Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview Wichita

Watch the NACCC Website [www.naccc.org] for special group rates, etc.

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From the Archives

In 1964 as Plymouth prepared to host their first NACCC annual meeting an article about the church appeared in the Congregationalist quoting Plymouth's minister Walter Couch as saying:

Some church members may feel that the pulpit should never concern itself with burning controversial issues. I assume the traditional right of Congregational ministers to speak to their congregations on whatever matters seem to them to be of Christian concern.

Thus in previous sermons I have dealt directly with some of the problems related to race. I fervently hope, though, that as I have exercised my prerogative, I have spoken the truth, as I see it, in love; and with humility, for this subject is exceedingly complex, and I make no claim to have all the answers. We cannot help facing up to the problem.

Rev. Walter G. Couch, JR., D.D.

Fellowship Dinners

Throughout the summer we will be having Fellowship Dinners at the homes of some of our members. Dinner will be catered by a different restaurant each week. We will try to keep the cost at or under \$15. There will also be a podcast, Tedtalk, Youtube video, or article that will be used as a conversation starter and that you will be asked to watch/read ahead of time. Our next dinner will take place Wednesday, June 8 at 6 pm. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. BYOB.

Location: 7700 E. 13th St. North, #8
Host: Bob Blackburn and Linda Morgan
Meal: College Hill Deli

Conversation Starter: <https://couragerenewal.org/wpccr/parker/>

Compline Service

Tonight, Sunday, June 5 | 6 p.m.

Compline is a unique thirty-minute evening worship offered by Plymouth to the congregation and community. Compline is held the first Sunday of each month at 6 pm in Plymouth's candlelit sanctuary. No words are spoken: with lights dimmed and candles flickering, the calming music, angelically sung by an octet, opens a doorway into the realm of spirit. The only thing a person attending "does" is light a candle, and it is utterly captivating.

Vacation Bible School

June 6 – 10

9 – 11 am

Ages 4 – 11

Starts tomorrow, see Dr. Robu for late registration.



Summer Choir

Have you been wanting to sing in the choir? Well, come on! For the months of June, July, and August, the choir will learn a simple anthem Sunday morning at 10 AM in the choir room before worship. If you are interested, please send an email to Henry at musicdirector@plymouth-church.net and he'll have music ready for you. No robes or processing - just sharing your voice!

Plymouth Hallway Art Gallery

The art of Stephen Perry, a fourth generation Wichitan, will be on display in our hallway for the next several weeks. Stephen has shown with us before and is always popular with Plymouth members and friends. A graduate of North High School and Kansas State University, Steve's career began in landscape architecture with an early interest in pen and ink sketches. After his retirement from his firm McCluggage Van Sickie and Perry, he began fine art printmaking in his Riverside home. In his Backroads Press studio he is currently working with photo-polymer plates in relief prints highlighted with watercolor. In 2011 he published his second book, "Wander the Kansas Flint Hills in Words and Images", which features 12 original prints and writings about his favorite part of Kansas. He continues to exhibit at art fairs and galleries throughout the region.

Plymouth Hallway Display Case

Hanna Eastin grew up in NE Tennessee, went to undergrad in Illinois, and moved to Newton, KS in 2001. Since then she has been a studio assistant, a gallery, bookshop, and coffeeshop co-owner, artist-in-residence, adjunct faculty, and professor of art. In the middle of all this she completed an MFA at Fort Hays State University and learned how to test wild clay, among several other things. She is currently finishing her 13th year on the faculty at Hesston College, after which, she will move to Salt Lake City full time to pursue partnership, parenting, substitute teaching, and studio work. With her partner, Cristi, and two young boys, they have been learning the great skill of family road tripping back and forth to Kansas to finish work at Hesston College, spend time with the boys' dad, and see the sights between Utah and Kansas. Which brings us to Hanna's clay work. In the past 8 years or so, Hanna's great passion has become finding and digging wild clays. Much of her work now consists of a stoneware made from Kansas clay from the area surrounding Wilson Lake and glazed with many different clays from Utah, Wyoming, and most recently a great, crusty find from roadside I70 in western Colorado. As a person who has always found great solace in Place, and now embarking on what feels like an awful lot of change, locating and testing these very Place Specific materials has given Hanna great joy. She makes small sculptures, drinking vessels, storage jars, and decorative objects like platters and wall tiles out of these materials, often incorporating clays from customers' own property, to commemorate time and place and human connection.

Plymouth Staff

Rev. Dr. Donald P. Olsen, Senior Minister

Rev. Dr. Karen Robu, Associate Minister

Dr. Henry Waters, Director of Music

Christopher Shaw, Organist

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Tim Robu, Maintenance Engineer

Erik Breckenridge, Video Tech

John Palmer, Video Tech Assistant

Bill Berry & Ramikia Stevenson, Custodians

As the Wind Song through the Trees

1 As the wind song through the trees, as the stir - ring of the
 2 As the rain - bow af - ter rain, as the hope that's born a -

breeze, so it is with the Spir - it of God; as the
 gain, so it is with the Spir - it of God; as the

heart made strange-ly warm, as the voice with - in the storm, so it
 green in the spring, as a kite on a string, so it

is with the Spir - it of God. Nev - er
 is with the Spir - it of God, mak - ing

seen, ev - er known where this wind has blown, bring - ing
 worlds that are new, mak - ing peace come true, bring - ing

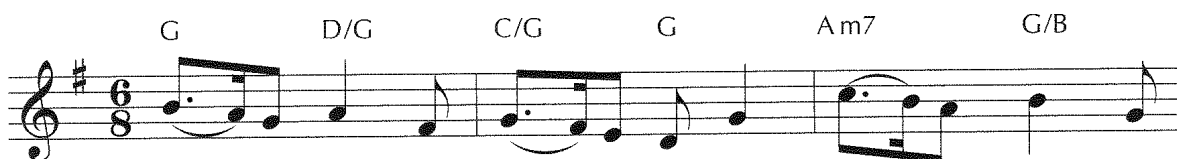
life, bring - ing pow'r to the world, as the
 gifts, bring - ing love to the world; as the

dan - cing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep de - sire, so it
 ris - ing of the yeast, as the wine at the feast, so it

is with the Spir - it of God.
 is with the Spir - it of God.

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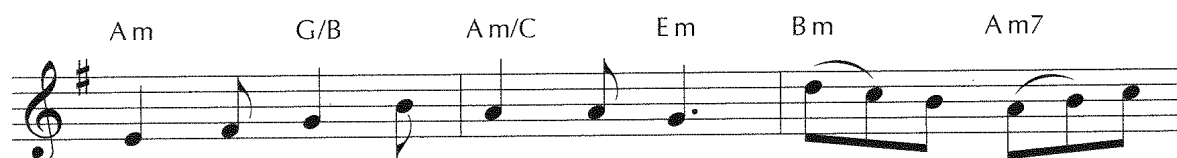
Come and Seek the Way of Wisdom



1 Come and seek the ways of Wis-dom, she who danced when
 2 Lis - ten to the voice of Wis-dom, cry - ing in the
 3 Sis - ter Wis - dom, come, as - sist us; nur - ture all who



earth was new. Fol - low close - ly what she teach-es,
 mar - ket-place. Hear the Word made flesh a - mong us,
 seek re - birth. Spir - it - guide and close com-pan-ion,




for her words are right and true. Wis - dom clears the
 full of glo - ry, truth, and grace. When the Word takes
 bring to life our sa - cred worth. Free us to be -



path to jus - tice, show - ing us what love must do.
 root and rip - ens, peace and right - eous - ness em-brace.
 come your peo - ple, ho - ly friends of God and earth.

June 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 10:30am Sunday Worship, (Sanctuary) 6pm Compline	6	7 5:30pm Cabinet Mtg.	8 2pm Plymouth Projects (Chapel) 6pm Fellowship Dinner	9	10	11
VBS						
12 10:30am Sunday Worship, (Sanctuary)	13	14	15 2pm Plymouth Projects (Chapel)	16	17	18
YOUTH TRIP to PINE RIDGE						
19 10:30am Sunday Worship, (Sanctuary) 	20	21	22 2pm Plymouth Projects (Chapel) 7pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)	23	24	25 Word & Note
					NACCC Conference	

**Please join us for worship next Sunday, June 12th
Dr. Olsen will be Preaching**

The Plymouth Covenant

Believing in Jesus Christ, the Interpreter of God to humankind, we accept His teachings as the guiding principles of our lives and consecrate ourselves and our church to their fulfillment. We therefore join in covenant, one with another, to worship, work, and serve together that we may express through our Church and our individual lives the love and faith taught by Jesus Christ.