



*Sharing Faith's Journey*



**CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP  
JUNE 14, 2026**

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June 14, 2026

10:30 AM

## THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

**“You were once wild here. Don’t let them tame you.”**

Isadora Duncan

**Opening Voluntary**

*Orison*

Howard Helvey

Christopher Shaw, organ

**Welcome and Announcements**

Dr. Robu

**Introit**

*Christ Has Broken Down the Wall*

Mark Miller

*Christ has broken down the wall, Christ has broken down the wall.*

*Let us join our hearts as one, Christ has broken down the wall.*

*We're accepted as we are, we're accepted as we are.*

*Through God's love all is reconciled, we're accepted as we are.*

**Call to Worship**

**Opening Hymn**

*Canticle of the Sun*

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**\*Responsive Reading**

Joe Yager

One: The Spirit draws us to ourselves—

**All: She says yes to the space our bodies take up.**

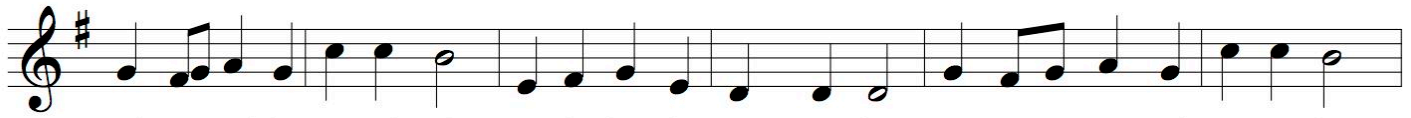
One: She says yes to our dreams and soulful desires.

The Spirit invites us beyond ourselves—

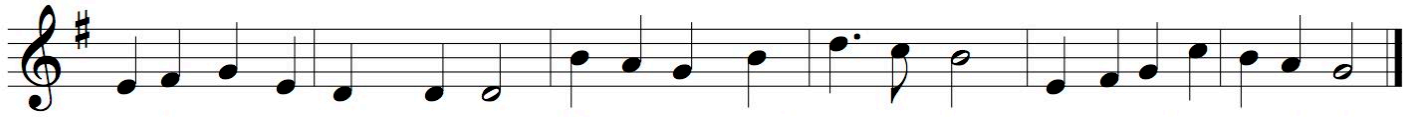
**All: To connection with our flora and fauna kin,**

One: To plant our roots deep in the soil of community.

**All: We gather today honoring the wisdom the Spirit whispers through our bodies and through our relationships.**



Praiseto God,im-mor-tal praise, For the love that crowns our days! Boun-teous source of ev-ery joy,



Let thy praise our tongues em-ploy: Sing-ing thus through all our days, Praiseto God,im-mor-tal praise.

**\*Invocation and Lord’s Prayer**

**Where toxic theology that demonizes our inner wisdom,  
where capitalistic stories tie our value to what we can produce,  
where beauty standards tell us we are not worthy—  
undo it, undo it, undo it, Expansive God!  
Weave us, instead, into your wide story of liberation,  
where our rest and inherent worth are what matters and the prayer that Jesus  
taught is made real**

**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.**

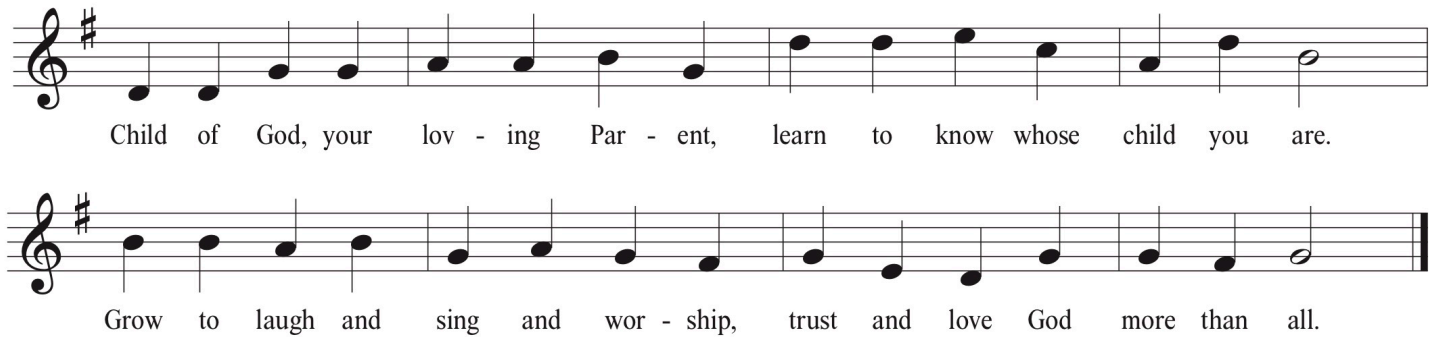
**Scripture Reading**

Genesis 12:1-9

**The Call of Abraham**

Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother’s son Lot and all the possessions that they had gathered and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran, and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east, and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.



Child of God, your lov - ing Par - ent, learn to know whose child you are.

Grow to laugh and sing and wor - ship, trust and love God more than all.

A Moment With Our Children

Dr. Robu

Solo

*Be Thou My Vision* - Irish Traditional  
Lindsay Miller and Tom Safley

*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 and by night;  
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*

*Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
Thou my great Father, I thy dear child;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.*

*Be thou my battle shield, sword for the fight;  
Be thou my dignity, thou my delight.  
Thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r;  
Raise thou me Heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.*

*Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always.  
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.*

*High King of Heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'ns Sun!  
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all*

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## Prayer Concerns

## Pastoral Prayer

## Prayer Response

## Invitation to Offering

### Anthem

*All the Beauty of the Lord*

Gwyneth Walker

*There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness in the sea.  
There's a kindness and a justice, which is more than liberty.  
There is no place where our sorrows are more felt than up in heaven.  
There is no place where our failings have such kindly judgment given.  
There's a wideness in God's mercy. There's a kindness in God's love.*

*For the love of God is broader than the vision of our mind.  
And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.  
If we could but love more simply, ever living by the Word,  
Then our lives would be enlightened with the beauty of the Lord.*

*If we could but love more simply, ever living by the Word,  
Then our lives would be enlightened with the mercy and the kindness,  
With the healing and forgiveness, with the sweetness and compassion  
All the beauty of the Lord!*

### Sermon

“Trees Part 1: Branching”

Dr.. Robu

### Closing Hymn

*Sing a New World into Being*

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### \*Benediction

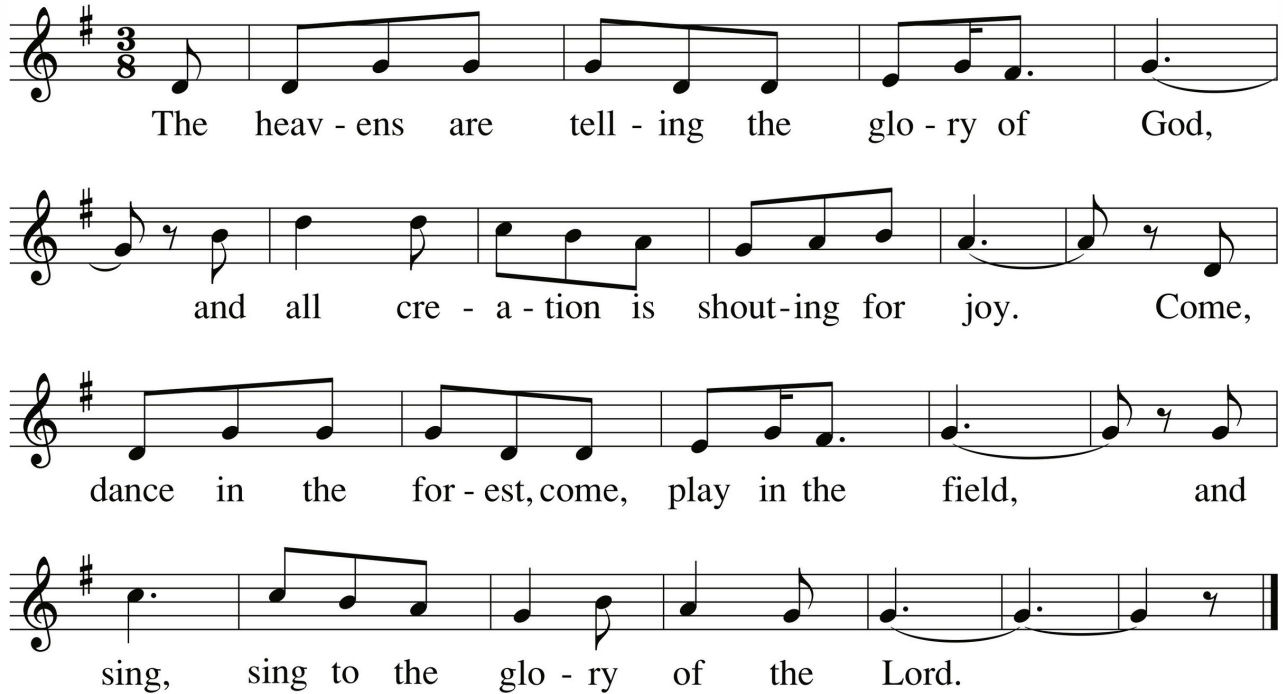
### Closing Voluntary

*Praise the Lord, Lift Up Your Voice*

arr. David Schelat

# Canticle of the Sun

## Refrain



The heav - ens are tell - ing the glo - ry of God,  
and all cre - a - tion is shout - ing for joy. Come,  
dance in the for - est, come, play in the field, and  
sing, sing to the glo - ry of the Lord.

## Verses



1. Praise for the sun, the bring - er of day, He car - ries the
2. Praise for the wind that blows through the trees, The seas' might - y
3. Praise for the rain that wa - ters our fields, And bless - es our
4. Praise for the fire who gives us his light, The warmth of the
5. Praise for the earth who makes life to grow, The crea - tures you
6. Praise for our death that makes our life real, The knowl - edge of



light of the Lord in his rays;	The moon and the stars who
storms, ♪ the gen - tl - est breeze;	They blow where they will, they
crops ♪ so all the earth yields;	From death un - to life her
sun ♪ to bright - en our night;	He danc - es with joy, his
made ♪ to let your life show;	The flow - ers and trees that
loss ♪ that helps us to feel;	The gift of your - self, your



light up the way Un - to your throne.
blow where they please To please the Lord.
mys - t'ry re - vealed Springs forth in joy.
spir - it so bright, He sings of you.
help us to know The heart of love.
pres - ence re - vealed To lead us home.

# Sing a New World into Being

HYMN TO JOY 8.7.8.7 D

G D7 G D

1 Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Sound a bold and hope - ful theme.  
 2 Sing a new world in - to be - ing where each gen - der, class, and race  
 3 Sing a new world in - to be - ing where the home - less find a home;  
 4 Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Join the an - cient proph - ets' cry

G C Am G D7 G

Find a tune for si - lent yearn - ings. Lend your voice and dare to dream:  
 brings its rain - bow gifts and col - ors to God's lim - it - less em - brace;  
 where no chil - dren ev - er hun - ger but are filled with God's sha - lom;  
 for a time of health and plen - ty when all tears have been wiped dry;

D G D G D7 B Em A D G

dream a church where all who wor - ship find their lives and loves be - long. Sing  
 where the lines that once di - vid - ed form in - stead the ties that bind. Sing  
 where all peo - ple work for jus - tice, where all hate and ven - geance cease. Sing  
 when com - pas - sion flows like wa - ters, pour - ing balm for all who grieve. Sing

C Am G D G

a new world in - to be - ing. Sing as Christ in - spires your song!  
 a new world in - to be - ing: risk trans - form - ing heart and mind!  
 a new world in - to be - ing: raise the har - mo - nies of peace.  
 a new world in - to be - ing: live the prom - ise you be - lieve!

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## **\*\*\* Help Wanted \*\*\***

### **Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**

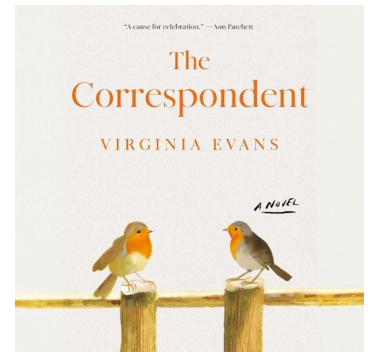
- 4 people to help serve dinner @ 5:15 pm @ St. James for @ 1 hour for Vacation Bible School kids  
\*\*\* and \*\*\*
- Volunteer(s) to provide 150 cookies for dessert on Tuesday evening!

Sign up sheet in FSH and/or office@plymouth-church.net

Summer Reads – choose 1, 2, 3, or 4 of these books to read over the summer and we will discuss them all when we meet in August

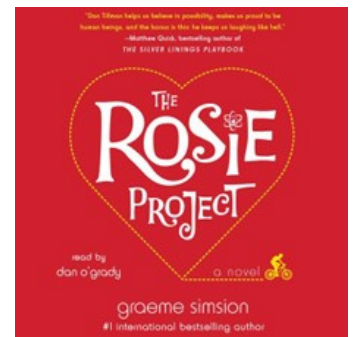
### **The Correspondent by Virginia Evans**

In development as a major motion picture starring Jane Fonda Filled with knowledge that only comes from a life fully lived, *The Correspondent* is a gem of a novel about the power of finding solace in literature and connection with people we might never meet in person. It is about the hubris of youth and the wisdom of old age, and the mistakes and acts of kindness that occur during a lifetime.



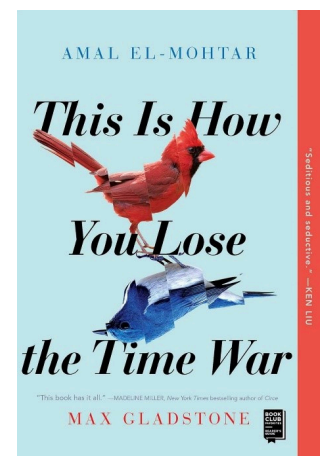
### **The Rosie Project by Graeme Simsion**

The international bestselling romantic comedy “bursting with warmth, emotional depth, and...humor,” (Entertainment Weekly) featuring the oddly charming, socially challenged genetics professor, Don, as he seeks true love.



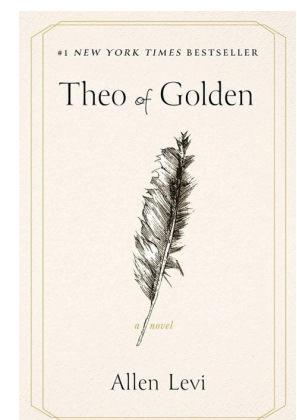
### **This is How You Lose the Time War by Amal El-Mohtar and Max Gladstone** (won the Hugo, Nebula, and Locus awards)

Among the ashes of a dying world, an agent of the Commandant finds a letter. It reads: Burn before reading. Thus begins an unlikely correspondence between two rival agents hellbent on securing the best possible future for their warring factions. Now, what began as a taunt, a battlefield boast, grows into something more. Something epic. Something romantic. Something that could change the past and the future



### **Theo of Golden by Alan Levi**

Theo visits the local coffeehouse, where ninety-two pencil portraits hang on the walls, portraits of the people of Golden done by a local artist. He begins purchasing them, one at a time, and putting them back in the hands of their “rightful owners.” With each exchange, a story is told, a friendship born, and a life altered.





Sing with us this  
Summer!

Summer Choir Season  
has arrived.

Join us on Sundays at  
10:00 AM starting this  
Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>

Just come as you are!

HELLO  
SUMMER

**The Dull Creatives Society**

**midwest**  
film company

The great little camera that takes big pictures.

How to shoot film

June 17th  
6pm to 8pm  
202 N Clifton  
Ave. Wichita,  
KS

Next Wednesday, The Dull Creatives Society is partnering with Midwest Film Company to bring you this film photography work shop!

Take some photos with Midwest owner Justin Cary and send your film in to get developed at their shop in Delano.

Katie says..."Bring your own film camera. Film will be available for purchase at the class."

\*\*Come at 5:30 pm for a BYOF Dinner [bring your own food] and gather with friends before the program at 6 pm\*\*

# We are delighted to share a sneak preview of this year's Fine Arts Series Events!



The Plymouth Fine Arts Series seeks to elevate the appreciation of the arts in our community and offer experiences for performer and audience that inspire creativity and lift the spirit.



## FRI/SAT / OCT 9-10, 2026 7 PM BIRDS OF NORTH AMERICA

by *anna ouyang moench*  
a play in two acts  
starring *tim & francie robu*  
\$20/pp



SAT / NOV 14, 2026 7PM FREE  
25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
SCHANTZ  
PIPE ORGAN  
with *Jan Kraybill*  
grammy nominated, concert organist,  
pianist, harpsichordist, educator

## FRI/APR 2, 2027 5:30 PM FREE VISUALIZING PALESTINE

first friday art display  
Visualizing Palestine uses data and research to visually communicate Palestinian experiences to provoke narrative change.



# JUNE Birthdays

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|----------------|---------|----------------|---------|
| Jane Gilchrist | June 2  | Roger Douthett | June 22 |
| Donna Depew    | June 4  | Billie Palmer  | June 23 |
| Bill Loyd      | June 6  | Francie Robu   | June 24 |
| Kevin Nichols  | June 6  | Mark Clevenger | June 25 |
| Liz Carroll    | June 15 | Doug Stark     | June 25 |
| Elaine Neel    | June 17 | Matthew Jones  | June 30 |



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>31</b> 10:30 WORSHIP	<b>1</b> AEROBICS PRAIRIE WIND FOLK DANCING *** 7:30 ORGAN CONCERT ***	<b>2</b> 5:30 PM CABINET	<b>3</b> AEROBICS	<b>4</b> WOMEN'S AA COFFEE	<b>5</b> FIRST FRIDAY ART CRAWL 5:30 - 8 PM	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 10:30 WORSHIP	<b>8</b> AEROBICS PRAIRIE WIND FOLK DANCING	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> AEROBICS	<b>11</b> WOMEN'S AA COFFEE	<b>12</b> AEROBICS	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> 10:30 WORSHIP	<b>15</b> AEROBICS PRAIRIE WIND FOLK DANCING	<b>16</b> INVESTMENT CLUB	<b>17</b> AEROBICS	<b>18</b> WOMEN'S AA COFFEE	<b>19</b> AEROBICS	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 9:00 MISSIONS BOARD 10:30 WORSHIP	<b>22</b> AEROBICS PRAIRIE WIND FOLK DANCING	<b>23</b> 5:30 PM TRUSTEES	<b>24</b> AEROBICS	<b>25</b> WOMEN'S AA COFFEE	<b>26</b> AEROBICS	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> 10:30 AM WORSHIP	<b>29</b> AEROBICS PRAIRIE WIND FOLK DANCING	<b>30</b>	<b>JULY 1</b> AEROBICS	<b>2</b> WOMEN'S AA COFFEE	<b>3</b> AEROBICS	<b>4</b> HAPPY 4TH OF JULY

AIDS MEMORIAL QUILT DISPLAY - MON/FRI DAILY - 10 AM TO 2 PM

VBS at ST. JAMES - WEEKDAY EVENINGS 5:30 TO 8 PM

YOUTH GROUP VOLUNTEER WEEK