



August 20th, 2023 9:30 a.m.

Prelude

Karen Koop

**Gathering Thoughts
Lighting the Christ Candle**

Kevin McCabe

Call to Worship & Prayer

Leader: In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised up above the hills.

**People: Peoples shall stream to it,
and many nations shall come and say:**

Leader: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths."

**People: For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.**

Leader: He shall judge between many peoples,
and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more;

**People: but they shall all sit under their own vines
and under their own fig trees,
and no one shall make them afraid;**

ALL: for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken.

Hymn

The God of Abraham praise

HWB #162

Passing of the Peace

Offertory Prayer

Musical Reflection

Prayers of the People

Kevin McCabe

Hymn

Great is thy faithfulness

HWB #327

Scripture Reading

Psalm 133 [OT p.575]

Hymn *Help us to help each other Lord* HWB #362
Scripture Reading Genesis 45:1-15 [OT p.42]
Meditation David Brubacher with John Rempel
Hymn of Response *Will you let me be your servant* HWB #307
Benediction (Congregation please stand) David Brubacher
Sending Hymn *God Calls Us*

*God calls us to be followers of Christ,
and by the pow'r of the Spirit,
to grow as communities of grace, joy, and peace,
so God's healing and hope flow through us to the world,
so God's healing and hope flow through us to the world. (Repeat)*

Postlude

It is good to be together in worship this morning!
The ushers are pleased to help any who need assistance.
[Offering plate available on table at back of sanctuary]

GRACE NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, August 27th – Speaker: Mac Plunkett
Scripture Texts: Exodus 1:8-2:10; Psalm 124; Romans 12:1-8;
Matthew 16:13-20

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