

# Westminster United Methodist Church

June 7, 2020  
10am

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## WELCOME

### PRELUDE

*"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

J.C. Bach

### GATHERING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER WITH CHRIST'S LIGHT

Pastor: As we light the candles in our worship space, I invite you to light a candle in your place at home and for you to pray with me. Blessed are you, Lord, High King above all kings, Our Father forever and ever.

Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**All: Let your Face, O Lord, shine forth upon us, and be merciful.**

Pastor: Repeat after me: The peace of God ... the peace of God

And of Christ

And of the Holy Spirit

Be upon us ...

And our children

Forever more.

### KINDLING THE FIRE

One: This morning, as we kindle the fire upon our hearth,

**ALL: We pray that the flame of God's love may burn in our heart and hearts of all we meet this day.**

One: Let us pray that no envy or malice, no hatred or fear may smolder the flame.

**All: That indifference and apathy, contempt and pride, may not pour like old water on the fire.**

One: May the spark of God's love light the love in our hearts, that it may burn brightly throughout this day.

**ALL: And may we warm those that are lonely, whose hearts are cold and lifeless, so that all may know the ever present comfort of God's love.**

Inspired by Celtic Prayer – Robert Van De Weyer

### HYMN

*"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"*

UMH 334, insert pgs 6-7

### INVOCATION OF GOD'S SPIRIT

**Most powerful Holy Spirit, come down upon us and subdue us. From heaven, where the ordinary is made glorious, and glory seems but ordinary, bathe us with the brilliance of your light like dew! Amen.**

### KIDS' MOMENT & CELEBRATING OUR MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Jacki Stranathan

### SPECIAL MUSIC

*"How Deep The Father's Love for Us"*

Stuart Townend

Alexa Hayman, soloist; lyrics pg 7

### SCRIPTURE

Genesis 1:1-2:3

Gayle Dix

### HYMN

*"How Great Thou Art"*

UMH 77, insert pgs 8-9

### SHARING OUR BEING

"Throughout the Day: Celebrating God's Presence in Each Moment!"

Pastor Malcolm Stranathan

### BEING A BLESSING

*(Continued on page 2)*

There is one God and one mediator between heaven and earth, Christ Jesus, Who gave Himself as a ransom for all people. Whoever is on the Lord's side let them join with us at the tables we have prepared in our homes to celebrate with one another.

Pastor: That we may come to the table of God, let us pray together...

**All: Create a clean heart within me, O God, so that it may become your chosen shelter and the resting place of the Holy Spirit. I make the cross of Christ upon my breast, over the table of my hard heart, and I beseech the living God, "May the Light of Lights come to my dark heart so that I may live in the power of Your love."**

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of Your glory; Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Pastor: Indeed, blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. May his body and blood transform us in purity of heart.

On the very night He was betrayed, Jesus took bread and gave you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to his disciples, saying "Take, eat, this is my body which is given to you; do this in remembrance of me." in the same way, after supper He took the cup and gave you thanks, he gave it to his disciples, saying, "Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this as often as you drink it, In remembrance of Me."

If you are thirsty, drink the Fount of Life.  
If you are hungry, eat the Bread of Life.

Blessed are all who hunger for this Bread and thirst for this Fount.

Together we proclaim the mystery of Christ:

**All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Pastor: Pour down upon us from heaven the rich blessing of Your forgiveness. Grant to us, O Savior of Glory, the fear of God, the love of God, and Jesus' affection, as well as the will of God to do on earth at all times as angels and saints do in heaven.

**All: Praise be to the Lamb of God In His protecting power.  
Praise the Lamb of God, that makes all things new.  
Praise the sacrifice of the Lamb that strengthens the weakness of our body.  
Praise the sacrifice of the Lamb that heals the weakness of our spirit.  
Praise be to Christ, in His forgiving power.  
Praise be to Christ, in His releasing power.  
Praise be to Christ, in His victorious power.  
Praise be to Christ, in His renewing power.**

Pastor: The Lord is with us. And, by God's grace, the Holy Spirit rests among us. Look with kindness on Your people gathered before you. Send the power of Your Spirit so that these gifts may become for us the body and blood of your beloved son, Jesus, the Christ in whom and through whom we have become one with you.

You are Lord God of all, present at all times with us from the rising of the sun, the setting of the same, and then throughout the night as we rest and renew, forever and ever, in this life and the next.

Holy of most Holy Gods, Father of our Lord Jesus, through your goodness we have prepared gifts of bread and wine, which earth has given and human hands have made, "May they become for us the food and drink of eternal life. "

**ALL: Amen**

Let us join together in the prayer that our Lord Jesus gave to us. Our Father ...

Pastor: Friends, the meal is set and prepared.  
 Please take the bread – the Body of Christ for us.  
 And together let us receive the cup of salvation!

COMMUNION TIME MUSIC *“Early in the Morning, Our Song Shall Rise to Thee”* arr. Wagner  
 Please mail God’s tithes and your offering to the church office at the address at the top of this service or  
[click here to make a secure one time electronic deposit](#) or access our website ([wumcmd.org](http://wumcmd.org)). Thank you.

CELTIC PRACTICE: ENCIRCLING PRAYER Pastor Malcolm Stranathan  
 Say this prayer each morning and at the close of each day (using hand motions):  
 Christ with me, Christ before me  
 Christ behind me, Christ in me  
 Christ beneath me, Christ Above me  
 Christ on my right, Christ on my left  
 Christ when I lie down  
 Christ when I sit down  
 Christ when I arise, Christ to shield me. —Excerpt attributed to St. Patrick

HYMN *“Christ Beside Me”* TFWS 2166, pg 9

THE RISING Let us go forth, in the goodness of our merciful Father,  
 In the gentleness of our brother, Jesus,  
 In the radiance of the Holy Spirit,  
 In the faith of the apostles,  
 In the joyful praise of the angels ,  
 In the holiness of the saints,  
 In the courage of the martyrs.

Such is the path for all servants of Christ.

POSTLUDE *“Jesus Spreads His Banner O’er Us”* Scriveyner

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## WESTMINSTER UMC CONGRATULATES OUR 2020 GRADUATES

(as submitted to the office in response to our UMW request)

### Lilianna Bowman

Winters Mill High School

Lili will be attending St. Mary's College of Maryland.

She is the daughter of Jon & Lisa Bowman.

### E. Faith Haines

Francis Scott Key High School, Valedictorian

Faith will be attending St. Mary's College of Maryland; history major.

She is the daughter of Kevin & Sherri Haines (staff).

### Alex Fairchild Haufler

University of Wisconsin, PhD in Electrical Engineering

Alex will be a Senior Systems Engineer with Raytheon, El Segundo, CA, working with the Visible Infrared Imaging Radiometer Suite (VIIRS) detector for imaging, algorithm development, and testing for commercial space mission design.

He is the son of Mike & Amy Haufler.

### Elliot James Hirtle

Salisbury University, B.S. in Physics

Elliot will be working at GMB, Sparks, MD, an engineering company.

He is the son of Norman & Sandy Hirtle, grandson of James & Arlene Hirtle.

### Dorothy MacLean-Blevins

Salisbury University, B.S. in Medical Laboratory Science

Dorothy will be working at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Microbiology Lab, potentially doing research on COVID-19.

She is the daughter of Mark & Kim MacLean-Blevins.

### Sean Sadowski

Stevenson, B.S. in Visual Communication Design

Sean is the son of Steve & Darlene Sadowski.

He will be exploring jobs in the Visual Communication Design, Motion Graphics Track field.



## ONLINE FELLOWSHIP

TUESDAY | Tea & Tidbits – 1:30-2:30pm

THURSDAY | Chat & Chew – 6:00-7:00pm

Online readers, click on the link(s) below and pop in and out as desired. Not online? ...no prob—call with the phone number, below. For more info or help with ZOOM access, call Gayle at 443-498-3880.

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...or, by phone, 301-715-8592

THURSDAYS -

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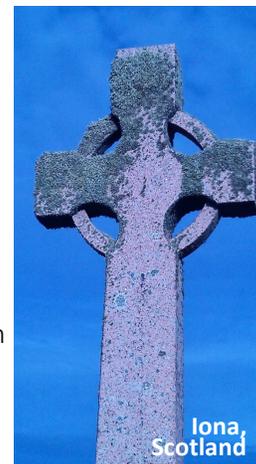
### Summer 2020 Worship Series

#### begins June 7

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It all begins June 7th, 2020!

*For more info, check out Pastor Malcolm's flyer on page 7 or on our website under tab 'Online Worship Links.'*



# BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

## Our Church Family

Robert Shaeffer  
Rich Umla  
Arlene DeVivo  
Ian MacLean-Blevins  
Chris Clise

*Longterm:* Jerry Rosier  
John Carbaugh  
Christy Swartzbaugh

Grace Justice . . . *Grace was recently diagnosed with COVID-19 and welcomes your cards and notes. Please mail to:*  
Dave Taylor

Miss Grace Justice  
Longview Nursing Home  
3332 Main Street, #102A  
Manchester MD 21102

## REQUESTING PRAYER

[Please click here to submit a prayer request.](#)

If you wish to speak with a pastor, please call the church office and select option 4 for Pastor Malcolm, or option 5 for Reverend Ken.

[Click here to email Pastor Malcolm.](#)

[Click here to email Reverend Ken.](#)

## Our Family and Friends

*5/22-5/28 requests:*

Robin and Tony – daughter and son-in-law of Fern Schmidt  
Erma Groft—mother of Randy Groft (and Diane), and grandmother of Ryan Groft

*5/8-5/121 requests:*

Vera Dillard and granddaughter Kyndra—dear friends of Vicki Collett

*5/1-5/7 requests:*

Peggy McMahan—sister of Gayle Dix

*4/17-4/30 requests:*

Craig Roberts—brother of Carole Roberts

*4/10-4/16 requests:*

Harry John Layman—extended family of Lisa Bowman  
Gale Blizzard—mother of Ann Dell

*3/28-4/9 requests:*

John Marrs—brother of Richard Marrs

## Our General Board of Global Missionaries

Nan McCurdy, Miguel Mciarena (Puebla Mexico),  
Matthew and Jennifer Wilke (Tanzania)  
Chin Cho (Mongolia)

## LIVE-STREAM SERVICE MINISTRY

Are you interested in joining a brand-new ministry that helps at-risk people stay connected with us in worship from the care and safety of their home? Please contact [Pastor Malcolm](#) or [Kyler Brengle](#) for more info. More was published about this opportunity in our recent eHerald.

## Those in Military Service

Jason Marusiak, Fort Riley, KS (son-in-law of The Flinn)

Sgt David Perez, 3rd Ranger Battalion, Afghanistan (son-in-law of Kim Cascio)

Cpt. Dan Myers, Army, Afghanistan

Cpt. Sally Myers, Army, Fort Drum, NY (nephew/niece of Susan & John Harbold),

Stefanie Sadowski-Gray, Air Force, Bolling AFB (Sadowskis' daughter)

Tracie Meyers, Navy, The Gulf (daughter of Jan Halman-Miller)

## REACH Coordinators in the month of: JUNE

OUR MISSION: To reach out to those within our congregation who are reaching out to us in need of help. Are you a church member in need of:

- Funeral Lite Fare
- Meals following recovery or mourning
- Transport to medical appointments

Please contact REACH, directly for help:

Sandra Horichs  
(410) 876-7653

Our Mission: "Changing lives through Jesus Christ to make a difference."

# Sweet, Sweet Spirit

There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I

know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord; there are

sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, and I

know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord.

*Refrain*

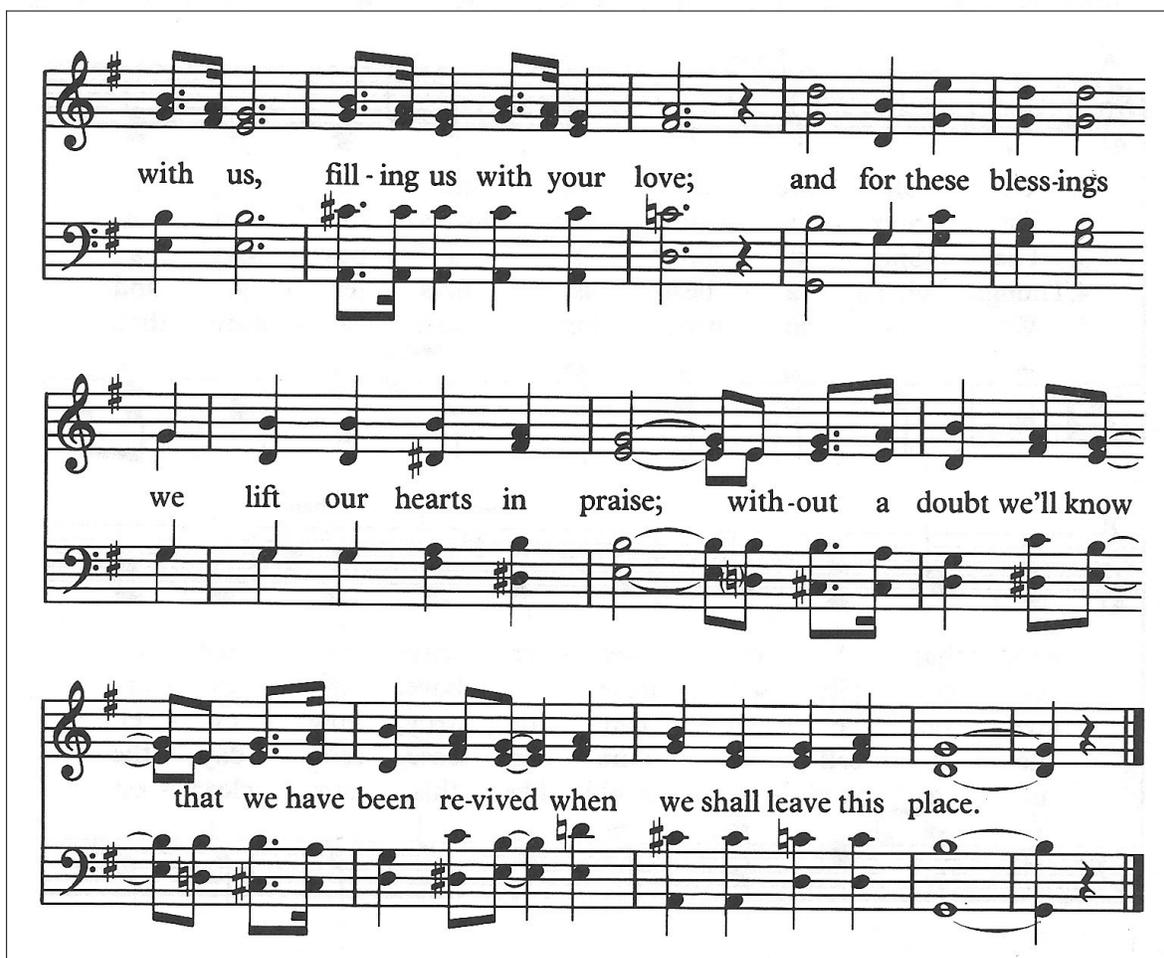
Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, sweet heav - en - ly Dove, stay right here

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SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT  
Irr. with Refrain

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with us, fill-ing us with your love; and for these bless-ings

we lift our hearts in praise; with-out a doubt we'll know

that we have been re-vived when we shall leave this place.

## HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

## Verse 1

How deep the Father's love for us  
 How vast beyond all measure  
 That He should give His only Son  
 To make a wretch His treasure  
 How great the pain of searing loss  
 The Father turns His face away  
 As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
 Bring many sons to glory

## Verse 2

Behold the Man upon a cross  
 My sin upon His shoulders  
 Ashamed I hear my mocking voice  
 Call out among the scoffers  
 It was my sin that held Him there  
 Until it was accomplished  
 His dying breath has brought me life  
 I know that it is finished

## Verse 3

I will not boast in anything  
 No gifts no pow'r no wisdom  
 But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
 His death and resurrection  
 Why should I gain from His reward  
 I cannot give an answer  
 But this I know with all my heart  
 His wounds have paid my ransom

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*Stuart Townend*

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## How Great Thou Art



1. O Lord my God! when I in awe-some won - der
2. When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der,
3. And when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing,
4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion



con - sid - er all the worlds thy hands have made,  
and hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the trees;  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.



I see the stars, I hear the <sup>\*</sup>roll - ing thun - der,  
when I look down from loft - y moun-tain gran - deur  
that on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly bear - ing,  
Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o - ra - tion,



thy power through - out the un - i - verse dis - played.  
and hear the brook, and feel the gen - tle breeze;  
he bled and died to take a - way my sin;  
and there pro - claim, my God, how great thou art!



*\*Authors's original words are "works" and "mighty."*

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HOW GREAT THOU ART

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Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God to thee;

how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my

soul, my Sav - ior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!

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Christ Beside Me

1., 3. Christ be - side me, Christ be - fore me,

2. Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,

Christ be - hind me — King of my heart; \_\_\_

Christ all a - round me — shield in the strife; \_\_\_

Christ with - in me, Christ be - low me,

Christ in my sleep - ing, Christ in my sit - ting,

Christ a - bove me — nev - er to part. \_\_\_

Christ in my ris - ing — light of my life. \_\_\_

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MUSIC: Trad. Gaelic melody

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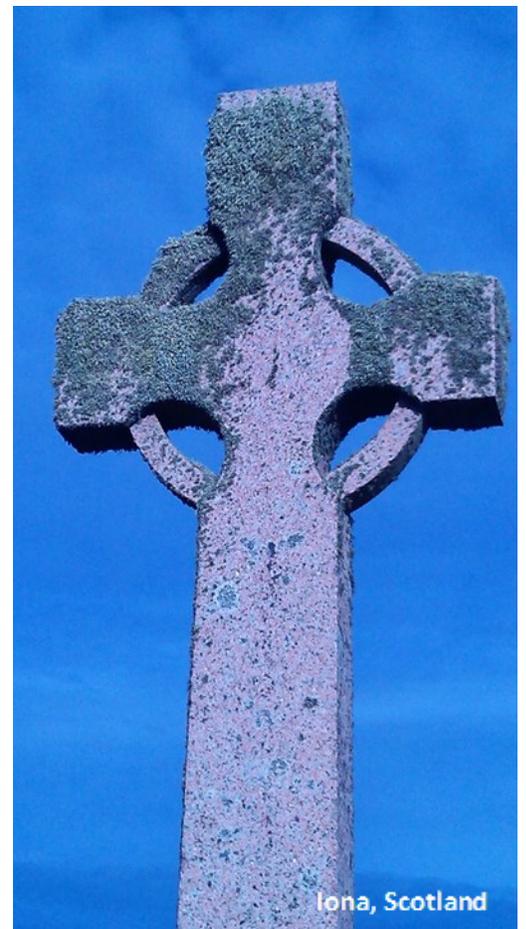
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## “Blest Being” - Summer 2020 Worship Series

Online, definitely, and we hope @ Center & Main (as we are permitted).

Join us at Westminster UMC Online Worship as we virtually travel to the ancient land of the Celts. Ireland, Scotland and Wales, and the Celts who lived in these lands, have a mystic air around them and in the early fifth century a Celtic-brand of Christianity took hold. Incorporating much of the ancient reverence for the earth, with everything ordinary from sun-up to sun-down, to the lighting of the night fires, the early Celtic Christians incorporated beautiful practices of prayers and rituals that celebrated their lives as blest beings. Our Summer Series, “Blest Being,” reminds us that despite the challenges of our time we are blest and encouraged to live in the present as those who are blessed by God.

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Iona, Scotland