

# ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE 15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## ~COMMUNION SUNDAY~

10 a.m.

September 1, 2024

*\* indicates "stand if you are able." UMH is the blue hymnal. TFWS is the small black book.*

### PRELUDE

*Lord, Keep Us Steadfast*

by Benton Price

### INTROIT

*Open the Eyes of My Heart*

by Paul Baloche

CUMC Adult Choir

Previously recorded

### WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD

### GREETINGS

One: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: The risen Christ is with us.

**All: Praise the Lord!**

### PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you

**All: And also with you**

One: Let us share God's love and peace with one another.

### \*HYMN

*Our God is an Awesome God*

(2x)

TFWS #2040

### CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Creator, you bless us with the heavenly lights—

**All: the moon that waxes and wanes,**

One: the planets that whirl around the sun,

**All: the galaxies that wink from afar.**

One: In the darkness you call out, "Let there be light,"

**All: and the universe is filled with heavenly light.**

One: You are our creator, too,

**All: the One who formed us and who forms us still.**

One: May your word of truth ring out today with your call to new life!

**All: Amen.**

### OPENING PRAYER

**Creator of the heavenly lights, there is no shadow in your divine light. It remains unchanging across the eons, even as the stars come and go. You are our faithful**

**creator, the Gardener of our lives. You plant your truth within us and inspire lives of caring and love. We honor and worship you. Amen.**

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

"Children's Message"

Virginia Lorenzi

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE READING FROM THE GOSPEL: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

One: The Word of God for the people of God

**All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"The Heart of Traditions"

Rev. Sue H. Yun

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

See Insert

INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

God calls us to a devotion that is pure and faultless. What does such devotion look like? Caring for those in a world with big needs and little hope. Let us give as generously as God has given to us.

WEEKLY OFFERING & NOISY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*I Love You, Lord*

by Laurie Klein/arr. Mark Hayes

Jeong-Hwa Park

Piano Solo

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH #95

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

**God of every good gift, bless the gifts of our resources, our prayers, and our lives. Bless these gifts for the good of others and to the honor of your name. Amen.**

JOYS & CONCERNS

\*HYMN

*Change My Heart, O God*

(2x)

TFWS #2152

\*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One: The good gifts of God continue to pour out upon us, giving us inspiration and energy for every good act.

**All: May our lives yield a full harvest of goodness and compassion!**

One: Go and be doers of God's word of truth!

**All: May our lives honor God! Amen.**

POSTLUDE

*Praise Ye the Father*

by Charles Gounod/arr. Dorothy Wells

**OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED**

**NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS**

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