#### JOYS AND CONCERNS

## PRAYER FOR PEACE

God of peace and justice, you have taught us to love our neighbors as ourselves, to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us. Today we raise Israel and Gaza, Ukraine and Russia, and all parts of the world where people are suffering from war. Provide protection and comfort to the innocent who have been impacted. Transform the hearts and minds of all those who perpetuate violence and oppression. Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward world peace; may they not be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference. Stop the wars o, God. Amen.

\*HYMN

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

TFWS #2223

\*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

Liam: In one Spirit, we perceive the glory of God proclaimed in the heavens above.

All: Spirit, make us one.

Katie: In one faith, we have been nurtured through the precepts of the living Lord.

All: Christ, make us one.

Joseph: In one great love, we have been saved.

All: God, make us one.

Claire: Go with the blessing of God, that all might be one.

**FAREWELL** 

Go Now in Peace (2x)

**UMH #665** 

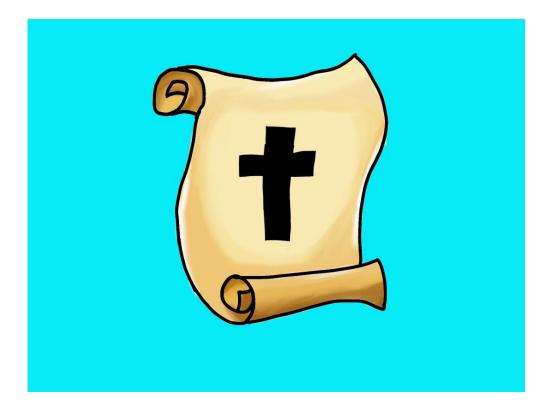
**POSTLUDE** 

Recessional

by Gerald Peterson

**OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED** 

**NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS** 



# Community United Methodist Church 100 Park Boulevard Massapequa, N.Y. 11758

February 9, 2025 Youth Sunday

Rev. Sue H. Yun, Pastor Jeong-Hwa Park, Minister of Music Stacey Longenberger, Secretary

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10 a.m. **YOUTH SUNDAY** February 9, 2025

PRELUDE Come Down, O Love Divine

arr. by Ralph Vaughan Williams

INTROIT Ode to Joy James Silva

by Beethoven Piano Soloist

#### 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: May God increase our love for one another and strengthen our hearts in holiness, as we greet one another in peace. The peace of the Lord be with you

All: And also with you

\*HYMN Awesome God TFWS #2040

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Day pours forth speech and night declares knowledge.

All: What voices speak without words or speech?

One: The heavens are telling the glory of God.

All: We listen but do not understand.

One: The Law of God is perfect, reviving the soul.

All: Who will teach us, that our hearts may rejoice?

One: Pray in the Spirit and you will perceive.

## **OPENING PRAYER**

God of Wisdom, we have come to sit at Jesus' feet and learn to what he would teach us. With the heavens above and the earth below, we rejoice in the good news he brings: succor to the poor, release to the captives, recovery of sight to the blind, and freedom for the oppressed. Reveal the mystery of your precepts, that we might hear the music of the heavens— the whisper of the land and roar of the seas, the prayer of the caterpillar and song of the flea. Speak to us through the fullness of creation, we pray. Amen.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

"Children's Message"

Virginia & Youth

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRAYER OF YEARNING

Merciful God, as we seek to know your ways, may we be more ready to receive the gifts of others than to trumpet the gifts we have received. Lay your call to Christian unity on our hearts, as we listen to your precepts and seek to live them each day. As the heavens proclaim your praise, and the day and the night reveal your truth, open our hearts to those who need our care. Amen.

# A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the words of Nehemiah: "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord, and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

1 Corinthians 12:12-31

Luke 4:14-21

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Today This Scripture is Fulfilled" Rev. Sue H. Yun

# INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

As we offer our material gifts in this time of offering, let's also reflect and rejoice in the time, talents, and spiritual gifts with which we are blessed. Let us share abundantly from every aspect of our lives.

# WEEKLY OFFERING & NOISY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM A Grateful Heart CUMC Adult Choir by Mary McDonald

\*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #95

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of our ancestors, Caretaker of our future, thank you for your faithful love. May the gifts we bring before you this day honor the many ways you bless this church. And may our offering reflect our commitment to lead lives of love, as we continue Jesus' mission to bring good new to the poor, release to the captives, sight to the blind, and freedom to the oppressed. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.