



“There an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a fire out of a bush.”

Exodus 3:2

**September 6, 2020**

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# OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

September 6, 2020

Labor Day Sunday

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PRELUDE

Althea Waites

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

*adapted from Psalm 105*

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, call on God's name,  
make known God's deeds among the peoples.

**People: Sing to God, sing praises; and tell of all God's wonderful works.**

Leader: Glory in God's holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**People: Look to the Lord and be strong; seek God's presence always.**

\*HYMN

*"The God of Abraham Praise"- #116*

DeForest Kirkwood

**The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above;  
Ancient of Everlasting Days, and God of love;  
Jehovah, great I AM! by earth and heaven confessed;  
I bow and bless the sacred name forever blest.**

**The great I AM has sworn; I on this oath depend.  
I shall, on eagle wings upborne, to heaven ascend.  
I shall behold God's face; I shall God's power adore,  
And sing the wonders of God's grace for evermore.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

**Unison: O God, our God, we give thanks for your gift of life. You created the earth and filled it with all good things. You give us to each other, and ask us to care for all that you have made. Forgive us when we lose sight of your gifts, when we focus on things that do not satisfy. You invite us to lives of service and compassion, but often we settle for busyness instead. Help us to keep our eyes and ears open for opportunities to share your love. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Lisa Pope

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty,  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Jonathan Chute

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

*“Seek Ye First”*

RHUMC Junior High Youth Bell Choir  
directed by Jan Johnson

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

April Herron

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY

Althea Waites

\*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him all creatures, here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

- Exodus 3:1-15

God calls Moses from a flaming bush

Lisa Pope

SERMON

*“Called Away”*

Jonathan Chute

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

April Herron

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*(a pastor will offer the prayer of thanksgiving)*

BLESSING AND SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

Jonathan Chute

HYMN

*“Go Down, Moses” - #448*

DeForest Kirkwood

**When Israel was in Egypt’s land, let my people go;  
Oppressed so hard they could not stand, let my people go.**

**Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt’s land;  
Tell old Pharaoh, to let my people go!**

**O let us all from bondage flee, let my people go;  
And let us all in Christ be free, let my people go;  
God down, Moses, way down in Egypt’s land;  
Tell old Pharaoh, to let my people go!**

BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing, fill our hearts with joy and peace.**

**Let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.**

**O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.**

POSTLUDE

*“Our Life Is More than Our Work”*

3<sup>rd</sup> Service Ensemble

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*Paula Kuno – guitar/mandolin/vocals, Teresa James – piano/flute/vocals*

*Michael Starr – guitar/violin/mandolin/vocals, Zach Provost – piano/vocals*

*Cory Tramontelli – bass/vocals, Jack Sollecito – percussion/guitar/piano*

Rev. Jonathan Chute, Senior Pastor

Rev. Dr. Martha Rowlett, Senior Pastor Emeritus

Myra Ghabrial, Preschool Director

Annette Matsuda, Parish Nurse

Megan Pelc, Kid Zone/Mid Zone Director

Debra DeLuca, Children’s Ministry Director

Kristin Rekse, Youth Ministry Director

Rev. Dr. April Herron, Associate Pastor

Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director

Althea Waites, Organist

Paula Kuno, 3<sup>rd</sup> Service Music

John Fitzgerald, Treasurer

Nicole Lowery Zakman, Church Business Mgr.

Roksolana Vecerek, Exec. Asst. to Pastor

Peggy Roulette, Church Office Admin.

Miguel Portillo, Custodian