

**David's UCC on November 15, 2020**

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost**

**Online Worship Bulletin**



Opening Music – *Tim Williams & Lyn Morton*

(please note – the music will play approximately 10 minutes prior to 10:00 a.m.)

"Autumn," William Stickles

"Here I Am to Worship" Tim Hughes, arr. by Larry Shackley

"Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above" Robert J. Powell

"In My Heart There Rings a Melody" Elton Roth, arr. by Melody Bober

Welcome – *Rev. Dr. Brian Q. Newcomb*

Veterans Day Recognition – *Ed Webb*

Call to Worship – *Rev. Michelle Wilkey*

One: Jesus said, "I came so that you may have life, and have it more abundantly."

**Many: Yet even in the season of harvest our spirits are hungry.**

One: We gather together today for our minds and hearts, and spirits to be fed.

**Many: May God's presence fill us and refresh us anew.**

**All: Let us worship God with a spirit of expectation and hope.**

Invocation –

Children's Moment –

Announcements and Invitation for Support – [www.davidsucc.org](http://www.davidsucc.org)

Quilting Ministry Dedication – *Debbie McCoy*

Special Music –

"Soon A-Will Be Done," Trad. Spiritual, arr. Myra Schubert

Canticle – Psalm 90: 1-6, 12-17 (Adapted from The Message)

One: God, you've been our home for as long as we can remember, long before the mountains were born.

**Many: Long before you brought earth itself to birth, from "once upon a time" to "kingdom come" – You are God.**

One: So don't turn us back to mud, saying, "Back to where you came from!"

**Many: Patience! You've got all the time in the world – whether a thousand years or a day, it's all the same to you.**

One: Are we no more than a wispy dream, no more than a blade of grass that springs up gloriously only to be cut down without a second thought?

**Many: Oh! Teach us to live well! Teach us to live wisely and well!**

One: Come back, God – How long do we have to wait? – Come, and treat your servants with kindness.

**Many: Surprise us with love at daybreak; so we can skip and dance all the day long.**

One: Make up for the bad times with good times; we've seen enough evil for a lifetime.

**Many: Let your servants see what you're best at – the ways you rule with love, and bless your children.**

One: And let the loveliness of our God rest on us, confirming the work that we do.

**Many: Oh, yes, Lord! Affirm the work that we do with our hands, our hearts and minds.**

Call to Confession –

Unison Prayer of Confession – **Gracious God, we confess that we do not love you with all our heart, our soul, our strength, our mind. We are easily distracted and lose sight of what matters most. We do not love our neighbors with a deep and abiding compassion. We do not love ourselves and care for our own truest needs. Transform our shallowness, enliven our deadness, heal our wounded, broken places, and so fill us with your Spirit that we can be forgiven, even as we forgive ourselves and others. For we pray in the name of Jesus Christ who brings us love that has no end. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon –

Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayers and Lord's Prayer –

Hymn – "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You"

(Tim & Lyn will play while you sing, together, at home.)

- 1. Joyful, joyful, we adore you, God of glory, God of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before you, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the storms of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.**
- 2. You are giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blessed,  
Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!  
Loving Spirit, Father, Mother, all who love belong to you;  
Teach us how to love each other, by that love our joy renew**

**3. Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began;  
Boundless love is reigning o'er us, reconciling race and clan.  
Ever singing, move we forward, faithful in the midst of strife,  
Joyful music leads us onward in the triumph song of life.**

Scripture –

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 5: 1 – 11

Gospel: Matthew 25: 14 – 30

Sermon – “Set Aside Fear So You Can Live Fully & Well”

Benediction/fare thee well until next time –

Closing Music – "Marching to Zion," Robert Lowry, arr. Gregg Sewell

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