



FAIRVIEW  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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# Choir Sunday



*"Make a joyful noise to the Lord,  
all the earth; sing the glory  
of His name."*

— Psalm 100:1



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JUNE 7, 2026

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*Choir Sunday*

June 7, 2026

11:00 A.M.

\*Please rise as you are able or in your hearts.

\*\*Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for  
worship.

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**PRELUDE** Morningdance (Moklebust)-- Chancel Bells

## **WELCOME AND WORDS OF COMMUNITY**

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Shout with joy,

**People: for God has blessed us.**

Leader: Sing with praise,

**People: for God is here.**

Leader: Worship and pray,

**People: for God is listening.**

**ALL: AMEN.**

### **CHORAL RESPONSE**

**\*GATHERING HYMN** There's Within My Heart a Melody UMH # 380

### **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH OF FAITH FOR CHOIR SUNDAY**

**BY REV. E. NEIL GAISER**

We believe in the God who created all things in harmony and beauty, who set the morning stars singing and filled the earth with songs of praise. We believe music is a gift from God, a language of the soul, a sign of joy, hope, and the beauty of heaven breaking into earth. We believe in Jesus Christ, the Living Word made flesh, who sang hymns with His disciples, who calmed storms with His voice, and who calls His Church to proclaim good news with glad hearts. We believe the Holy Spirit still moves among God's people, breathing life into weary hearts, giving comfort in sorrow, strength in weakness, and songs in the night. Today we give thanks for the ministry of music in Christ's Church, for choir members, musicians, directors, and all who offer their gifts for the glory of God and the strengthening of God's people. Through sacred song, our hearts have been lifted, our faith renewed, our grief comforted, and our voices joined together as one

people in praise. We believe the song of the Church does not end with one season, for God's people are always called to sing: in joy and in sorrow, in certainty and in hope, until that day when all creation joins the eternal hymn:

"Blessing and honor and glory and power be unto God forever and ever." Amen.

**\*GLORIA PATRI**                      Glory Be to the Father                      UMH # 70

**CHOIR ANTHEM**                      How Can I Keep from Singing?

(with Praise Him! Praise Him!) (Tomlin/Crosby/arr. Fettke)

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**PRAYER CHORUS**                      I Sing Praises to Your Name                      TFWS # 2037

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**ALL: Compassionate Christ, we yearn for that mysterious gift of shalom. We long for healing and wholeness, for peace and comfort. But the gift all too often seems elusive, or even absent. Touch our hearts and heal our weary souls. Bless our wounds, that we may bless others in need of your love. Soothe our fears with courage, that we may be strong enough to answer your call. Raise us into new life with your miraculous grace, that we may be blessings of miraculous grace in your world. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF PETITION**

After each petition, we enter into the prayer together with these words:

Pastor: Lord in Your mercy,

**People: Hear our Prayer.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**\*HYMN OF PROCLAMATION**

Praise Him! Praise Him!

# Praise Him! Praise Him!



1. Praise Him! praise Him! Je-sus, our bles-sed Re-dee-mer!  
 2. Praise Him! praise Him! Je-sus, our bles-sed Re-dee-mer!  
 3. Praise Him! praise Him! Je-sus, our bles-sed Re-dee-mer!



Sing, O earth, His won-der-ful love pro-claim! Hail Him!  
 For our sins, He suf-fered and bled and died:— He our  
 Heav'n-ly por-tals loud with ho-san-nas ring!— Je-sus,



hail Him! high-est arch-an-gels in glo-ry, Strength and  
 Rock, our hope of e-ter-nal sal-va-tion, Hail Him!  
 Sa-rior, reign-eth for-e-ver and e-ver, Crown Him!



ho-nor give to His ho-ly name!— Like a  
 hail Him! Je-sus the cru-ci-fied:— Sound His  
 crown him! pro-phet and priest and King!— Christ is



shep-herd, Je-sus will guard His chil-dren; In His arms He  
 prai-ses! Je-sus who bore our sor-rows, Love un-boun-ded,  
 co-ming, o-ver the world vic-to-ri-ous, Pow'r and glo-ry



car-ries them all day long.  
 won-der-ful, deep, and strong: Praise Him! praise Him!  
 un-to the Lord be-long:



tell of his ex-cel-lent great-ness! Praise Him!



praise Him! e-ver in joy-ful song!

**\*GOSPEL READING**

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

**SERMON**

*When Religion Cannot Heal* Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

**OFFERTORY**

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above by Jacob Schutz

**DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH # 94

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING** UMH # 20-22 (Musical Setting C)

**SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

**EVERYONE IS INVITED TO RECEIVE COMMUNION.**

**YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A MEMBER OF THIS OR**

**ANY CHURCH.**

**CHOIR CLOSING ANTHEM**

A Blessing of Music

(J. Martin)

**\*BENEDICTION**

Leader: God's promise is sure.

**People: We are blessed beyond measure.**

Leader: Christ's call is true.

**People: We go forth to be blessings of love for the world.**

**All: Amen.**

**POSTLUDE**

O God Beyond All Praising arr. By Gordon Young

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

The altar flowers today are given in memory of Bud & Bea Wyss given by Dave & MaryBeth Wyss.

**ACTIVITIES -June 8- June 14**

**Monday, June 8**

Pantry 9 A.M.  
SPRC Meeting 6 P.M.

**Tuesday, June 9**

UWIF Leadership Team Mtg. 10 A.M

**Wednesday, June 10**

Food Truck Delivery 11 A.M.  
Volunteers are needed to help unload.  
Pantry 6 P.M.

**Friday, June 12**

Pantry 9 A.M.

**Saturday, June 13**

Pantry 10 A.M.

**Sunday, June 14**

Adult Sunday School 9:45 A.M.  
Worship Service 11 A.M.  
Kids' Bible Class 11 A.M.

**TODAY'S SERVANT LEADERS**

**Worship Leader**

Gerardine Shukuru

**Guest Organist**

Priscilla Acuff

**Greeter**

Debbie Arnold

**Greeter**

Debbie Arnold

**Trustee**

Jan Mains

**Kids' Bible**

**Class Teacher**

Jackie Mergler

**VAN DRIVER FOR JUNE 14**

**Van Request: Wayne -- 937 - 369-7040**

To ride the van, you must make your request the day before or you will not be picked up!

**LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK**

Acts 17:22-31

Ps 66:8-20

1 Peter 3:13- 22

John 14:15-21

**PRAYER  MINISTRY**

Prayer ministry after worship each Sunday. For those who have special prayer requests, please see someone from the Prayer Ministry in the Narthex.

**Church Staff**

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