

Worship July 13, 2025

Prelude

Welcome

Responsive Call to Worship

Children of God, are you listening? Have you noticed? God has planted seeds of hope among us.

We have heard of this hope!

Are you listening? Have you noticed? God nurtures hope among us, helping us bear the fruit of faithfulness in this world.

We seek this hope as we learn to live in faith.

Are you listening? Have you noticed? The hope of God's good news forms you to love one another with the love of Christ.

We cling to this hope as we grow in love of God, self, neighbor, and all creation.

Children of God, come! Come, let us worship God who graciously offers us the gift of hope.

Come, let us worship God who empowers us to put our hope into faithful and loving actions!

--Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, January 2025.

Opening Prayer:

Holy God, we come together to worship, a people who would like to think that we love you with all our hearts and souls, with all our might. But there are so many other things in our lives that compete for our attention that we often relegate you to Sundays, and times when we want you to rescue us. Most of us really do want you to be the one in whom we live and move and have our being. We really do want to listen to your voice above all of the other voices in our lives. But we get bogged down in the daily routine. We forget who we are. We forget who you are. We forget what the church is supposed to be. So here we are, gathered before you today, with our human weaknesses and our short attention spans, asking that you would make yourself known to us, that you would help us to recognize the presence of the Holy, that you would continue to challenge us, inspire us, and make us into the people you want us to be.

Amen.

--Discipleship Ministries, Worship Planning, Fifth Sunday after Pentecost, Year C

Opening Hymn: *Hope of the World* UMH #178, vs. 1, 2, 5

Affirmation of Faith: Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada, UMH 883

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Passing the Peace

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture: Luke 10:25-37 NRSVue

(reader) The Word of the Lord!

(All) Thanks be to God!

Hymn of Praise: *When We Are Living*

UMH #356, vs. 1, 3, 4

Scripture: Colossians 1:1-6 NRSVue

(reader) The Word of the Lord!

(All) Thanks be to God!

Message: Love Letters: Walk in Hope

Hymn of Response: *Lord of All Hopefulness*

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Invitation to Offering

Offertory:

Doxology – Hymn 94

Offertory Prayer

Opportunities Coming Soon! (Announcements)

Blessing (Benediction)

Closing Hymn: *My Hope is Built*

UMH #368, vs. 1, 2

Please join us for Coffee Fellowship after the service!

Salmon Creek United Methodist Church Worship July 13, 2025

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