

**Sunday Worship**  
**August 16, 2026**  
**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Responsive Call to Worship:**

*Family of God, we gather today to unite our voices and our lives in praise to God!*

**How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!**

*We gather to celebrate how God binds us together to live, work, play, and rest as the Body of Christ!*

**How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!**

*We gather to remember how God has worked through us to share Christ's love with one another and our neighbors through our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.*

**How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!**

*Family of God, today we come as diverse and unique members of the Body of Christ to learn and grow not in uniformity but in unity to love God, self, neighbor, and all creation.*

**How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!**

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

--by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, May 2026

**Opening Prayer:**

Maker of Our Days, you created each of us unique beings with differing strengths and weaknesses. Help us not only to use our strengths to assist others but also to allow others to use their strengths to meet our weaknesses. Restorer of Our Souls, you have seen the parched places we have made in our lives, along with the devastation thrust upon us by the action or inaction of others. Meet us in the places of our deepest pain so that our facades of self-sufficiency might fall away, and we might be drawn into right relationship with you and one another. Breath of Our Lives, without you, we are but a mound of clay. Fill us with your presence, invigorate our worship, set us on fire so that others might be drawn into your light and nurtured by the warmth of your loving care. Amen.

--by Rev. Dr. Bob Gross and posted on the Worship Ways website of the United Church of Christ at <https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/pentecost-11-august-16-united-church-of-christ/>.

**Opening Song:** *Mighty to Save* Reuben Morgan and Ben Fielding

**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**

**Hymn:** *We Are One in Christ Jesus (Somos Uno en Cristo)*

TFWS #2229 [Sing twice]

**Scripture:** Psalm 133 NRSVue

**Hymn:** *Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*

UMH #632

**Message:** *Praise Break: Unity of Praise*

**Hymn of Response:** *In Unity We Lift Our Song*

TFWS #2221

**Invitation to Offering**

**Offertory:** *Lord, Here Am I*

John Ness Beck

*Chancel Choir*

**Doxology – Hymn 94**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Opportunities Coming Soon! (Announcements)**

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**Blessing** (Benediction)

**Closing Song:** *Together We Serve*

TFWS #2175

***Please join us for coffee fellowship  
after the service!***

**Our Staff:**

*Pastor: Rev. Kim Poer  
Office Administrator: Nancy Volgamore  
Music Director: Matthew Compton  
Accompanist: Josh Billings  
Family Ministries: Tiffiney Nordby  
Preschool Director: Angela Parrish  
Preschool Teacher: Lynetta Anthony  
Youth Ministries: Lacey Kelley*

**TODAY'S SERVANTS:**

***Lector:*** Maggie Mikalatos  
***Greeters:*** Juanita Burkitt & Ted Sherwin  
***Ushers:*** Bob Cooke & Laurie Doering  
***A/V Booth:*** Bill Berta & Kay Cooke  
***Information Desk:*** Sandy Bippes  
***Coffee Hosts:*** Pete & Maggie Mikalatos

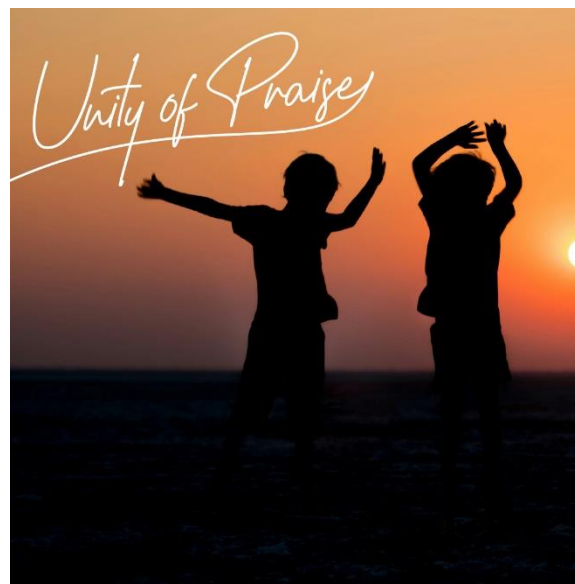
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## **Salmon Creek United Methodist Church**

**August 16, 2026**

**12th Sunday after Pentecost**

***Praise Break: Unity of Praise***



*We are a welcoming United Methodist Church congregation that  
worships together as disciples of Jesus Christ,  
uniting in fellowship, missions and service.*