

Woodbury United Methodist Church

August 30, 2020

13th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE *The Church's One Foundation* Wesley
Christopher Shay, keyboard

GREETING Rev. John Thomason

*CALL TO WORSHIP from *The United Methodist Book of Worship*

Come to Christ, that living stone, rejected by the world, but in God's sight chosen and precious.
We have responded to Christ's call to be built into a spiritual house, a living reminder of God's presence on earth.

Once we were no people, but now we are God's people, called out of darkness into God's marvelous light. Therefore we sing with the Church in all ages:

Blessed be your name, O God, our Redeemer. By your great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

OPENING HYMN *I Am Thine, O Lord* Crosby/Doane
Hymns sung by Venetia Phillippe

AN ACT OF CONGREGATIONAL CENTERING

CHILDREN'S TIME led by Carolyn Shay

THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS led by Rev. Thomason

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER Carolyn Shay, Liturgist

SCRIPTURE READINGS read by Carolyn Shay

Epistle Lesson: Romans 12:1-8 (NRSV)
The New Life in Christ

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have

