

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Centering Song

+ Call To Worship

One: As we gather in this space, the Spirit is here.

All: The Spirit of kindness allows us to be generous with all that we have.

One: We nurture this seed of faith until it bears fruit faithfully, where all can depend on the goodness of God.

All: Our God is gentle and humble in heart.

One: So let us take on the yoke of self-control that we might learn the joy of this fruit of the spirit.

All: God's Spirit invites us to share who we are, our fruit, with everyone. We gather today to celebrate this gift together.

+ Opening Prayer

God of endings and beginnings, we thank you for always starting anew with us. When we find ourselves at our wits' end, at the end of our rope, at the end of our patience, or even at the end of our hope, you are there. You draw us into your way with kindness, generosity, and faithfulness. You plant your seeds of faith in us, a seed that is bearing fruit time and time again. We give you thanks through Jesus Christ, Amen.

Hymn of Praise Lord of All Hopefulness 2197 (Black)

PROCLAMATION

Children's Time Chris Smith-Kozlowski, *Dir. of Children's Min.*
Children's church is available after the children's time!

+ Let us rise in body or spirit.

The Word in Music Oh How Good It Is Townsend, et al.

Scripture Reading Galatians 5:1, 22-25

Sermon Rev. Michael Mann

OUR RESPONSE

Prayers of the People & Invitation to Generosity

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Offertory and Doxology+ (Battle Hymn of the Republic)



Blessing of the Gifts

Compassionate God, we bring these gifts in response to your call to sow seeds of love and justice. May our offerings build up the family of faith and extend your grace to the world beyond. Help us not to grow weary in doing good but to serve with love, joy, and faithful generosity. Together, let us celebrate the harvest of your fruit of the Spirit.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Hymn During Communion Selah III (Fruits of the Spirit) Fatkin, et al.

+ Hymn of Celebration This Is My Song 437 (Blue)

+ Charge & Benediction

Go, be fruitful, and multiply. Go with kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Let us live by the Spirit and share that spiritual fruit with all we meet. Go and celebrate God's goodness. **Amen, we go to share the fruit of the Spirit with all we meet.**

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FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

love,
joy,
peace,
patience,
kindness,
goodness,
faithfulness,
gentleness,
and self-control



Galatians 5:22-23

**JULY 6TH, 2025
10AM**

