



**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Communion Sunday
August 5, 2018 10:30 a.m.**

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WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT AND LIFE

(Please use this time for preparing your mind, body and soul for worship)

CALL TO WORSHIP

~Katherine Hawker

Come with your questions, come with your awe!

For the God who broods over the chaos meets us in this place.

Come with your energy, come with your weariness!

For the God who breathes new life into the dust meets us in this place.

Come with your sadness, come with your joy!

For the God who dared to become human meets us in this place.

*OPENING HYMNS

"Morning has Broken"

#145 UMH

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

~Hamilton Union Presbyterian Church

God of all creation, send your Holy Spirit among us this day, that the seed of your Word might take root in our hearts, and bear the fruits of peace, love, and justice for all. AMEN.

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 1:1-5, 9-13, 26-31; Genesis 32:4b-9, 15-19

CHILDREN'S HYMN

"All Things Bright and Beautiful" (vs 1) #147 UMH

CHILDREN'S TIME

A Created Surprise

SERMON

Creation Care

TIME OF REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

"God of Wonders"

#3034 W&S

JOYS AND CONCERNS

INVITATION

The God of Creation through the redemptive power of Jesus Christ and the continuous movement of the Holy Spirit invites you to this table to experience the re-creation that comes through grace.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Worship Wall

Communion Liturgy pg. 20, Adapted by Chris Kliesen Wehrman (2018)

Including, *O God, the Creator*, New Century Hymnal 291

Tune: *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*, Faith We Sing 2223

THE GIVING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

Everyone is welcome at the communion table in the United Methodist Church, whether you are a member of this church or any church. Juice is used in the cup.

WE TAKE GOD'S WORD WITH US INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN

"Touch the Earth Lightly"

#3129 W&S

*BENEDICTION

~For All Who Minister

And now may the courage of the early morning's dawning,

And the strength of the eternal hills at noontime,

And the peace of the open spaces at evening's ending,

And the love of God,

Abide in your hearts now and forever. **AMEN.**

*POSTLUDE