

## WELCOME!

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “We Are Blessed” -Mendelssohn

### BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Protect us, O God, for in you we take refuge. You are our Lord. We have no good apart from you.

**People: We bless you Lord; you counsel and instruct us. We keep you always before us. Because you are at hand, we shall not be moved.**

Leader: Those who are holy in the land are noble, and in them we may delight.

**People. We bless you Lord, and keep you always before us. Because you are at hand, we shall not be moved.**

Leader: Our hearts are glad, and our souls rejoice! For you show us the path of life! In your presence, there is fullness of joy!

**People: We bless you Lord, and keep you always before us.**

\*HYMN #559 “We Gather Together” -Kremser

#### \*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

**As we celebrate the harvest of the fields in this thanksgiving worship, we pray to you, the Original Gardener, as you endeavor to harvest compassion and faithfulness from our souls. As we turn inward because of shorter days and cooler temperatures, keep our eyes, ears, and thoughts turned outward. Make our hands willing, our bodies strong, and our hearts open, as we offer ourselves to your service O God, our Leader and Defender. In Christ’s spirit we pray; amen.**

### PASSING OF THE PEACE

#### \*GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. (3X) As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM *(see insert)*

*Owen Gunnar McPherson. His parents are Tyler and Aleca McPherson. His Godparents are Heidi Horan and Kelly Abbott*

ANTHEM “Creation Brings Her Harvest” -Larson

HEARING OF THE WORD John 18:33-38:a -Reader, Pam Butterick

SERMON “Talking Past Each Other” - Rev. Mark Winters

\*HYMN #551 “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” -St. George’s Windsor

### CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you

**People: And also with you.**

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### LORD’S PRAYER (Debts)

PRAYER RESPONSE “O Lord, Hear My Prayer” -Berthier

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY “How Blessed Is This Place” -Biery

### \*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

### \*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Bless O God, these gifts, to your holy purpose. Use them to increase your compassion, and assist our neighbor, in this community and beyond. In Christ we pray; amen

\*HYMN #144 “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!” -Hyfrydol

### \*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Chorale Prelude on ‘Kremser’” -Pethel

\* Congregation Standing (if able)

## Welcome to the Federated Church

We welcome you, and affirm your whole identity, including sexual, gender, racial, economic, educational, ability, and all other kinds of identity! We welcome your questions and differences of opinion or belief. If you need help finding a hymnal, restroom, or anything else you need, please ask an usher. Please also join us for coffee hour in the Parish House, across the courtyard, after worship. Our services are live-streamed. If you prefer to be off camera, we recommend sitting toward the back on the left-hand side.

**Prayer List:** *If you would like any names added to or removed from the prayer list, please contact Rev. Mark, or contact the church office, [officefederatedchurchmv@gmail.com](mailto:officefederatedchurchmv@gmail.com).*

Peacefull democracy, Jim Harrison, Stephanie McClung, Violet Southwick, Aubyn Veno, recovering from surgery, Olga Church. Aaron Walton, loved ones facing illnesses of body or mind, all facing the trauma of violence including Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, and those suffering the effects of illness, poverty, natural disaster or oppression.

Head Deacon:	Karen Meeks
Ushers:	Geoff Cahill and Tom Durawa
Flowers:	Mary-Jean Miner
Coffee Hour ick	Pam Butter-
A/V Team Member:	Naomi Winters
Choir Practice	Tuesday at 4:30 PM
AA Meeting:	Saturday at 8:00 PM

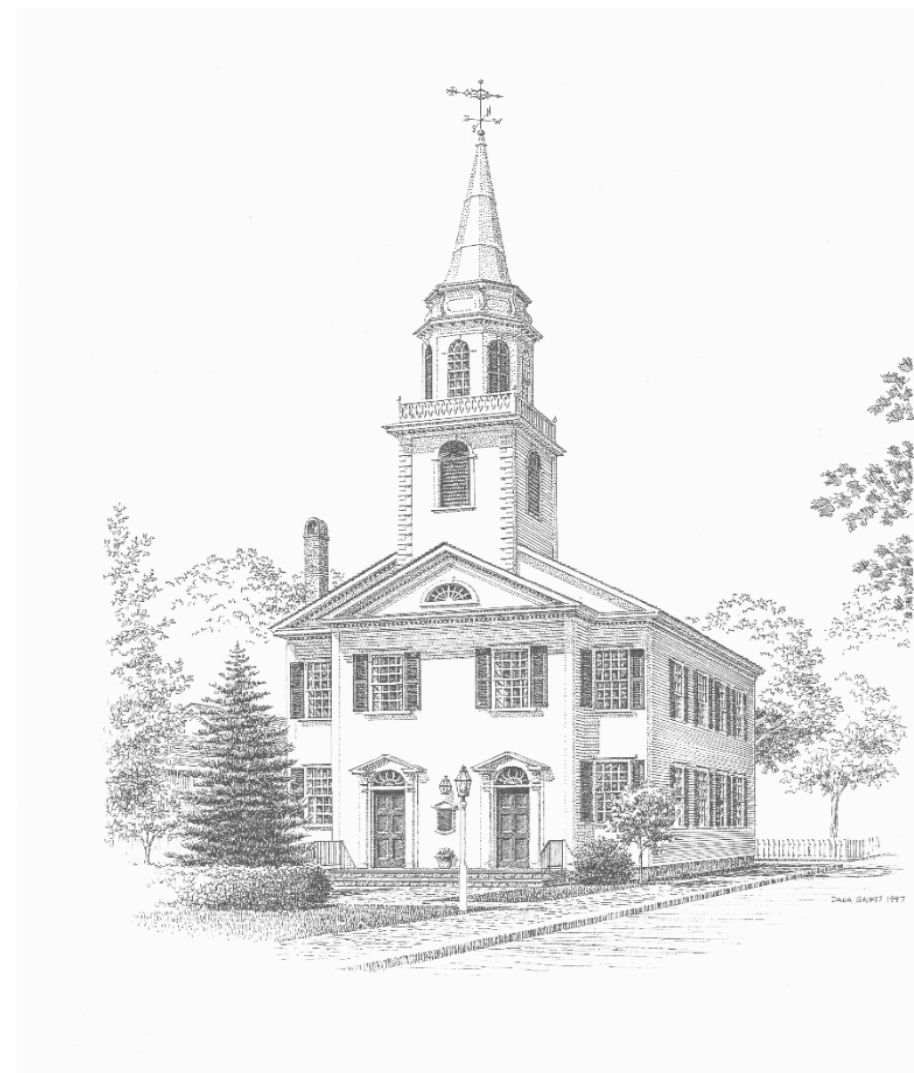
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**“...Whoever you are,  
whomever you love,  
and wherever you are on life’s journey,  
you are welcome here!”**



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