

Order of Worship: Sunday, June 20, 2021

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**Prelude and Lighting of Candles**     *Lord of the Dance* (setting by D. Wagner)  
Gaye Herndon, organ

**Welcome**

**Opening Prayer**

**A love that never ceases, a creativity that designed the universe,  
A hope that cannot be quenched, a pursuit of reconciliation no matter the cost;  
These are the things that are of God, who is the focus of our worship.**

**Opening Hymn**     *How Great Thou Art* (UMH 77, v 1)

**Daily Psalm**     **Psalm 8**

LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory in the heavens.

<sup>2</sup> **Through the praise of children and infants**

**you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.**

<sup>3</sup> When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

<sup>4</sup> **what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?**

<sup>5</sup> You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor.

<sup>6</sup> **You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet:**

<sup>7</sup> all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild,

<sup>8</sup> **the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.**

<sup>9</sup> **LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

**Gloria Patri**

**Prayer/Lord's Prayer**

**Anthem**     *In Ev'ry Flower* (Richard Wellock)  
Sue Spencer, soloist

**Children's Chat**

**Scripture**     John 3:1-9

**Sermon**     Healing Practices: Creativity, Curiosity and Wonder

**Closing Hymn**     *God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens* (UMH 150, 1 and 4)

**Closing Prayer**

**Creator God - walk with us into the week that we might be fully alive;**

**Open to wonder - curious and ready to learn.**

**Awaken us to beauty that is revealed in the most unexpected places,  
and may we, with Christ as our guide,**

**live as a witness to the goodness and creativity of God.**

**Postlude**     *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* (setting by J. Behnke)

*Flowers in our sanctuary this morning are provided for the glory of God and in gratitude for all fathers and father figures.  
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