

## Second Sunday after Pentecost

9:30AM, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Asterisk (\*) indicates standing, as able. Bold/colored type indicates text spoken in unison.

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CALL TO WORSHIP      Responsive

Like Abram and Sarai, God calls us to go into the unknown, trusting that God's promises are true.

**Whether we are certain or full of doubts, God blesses us that we may be a blessing.**

God sends us into the world to journey by faith, believing that God's blessings are greater than anything we can imagine.

**Whether the path is straight or winding, God blesses us that we may be a blessing.**

God gathers us today with trusted companions, those who also follow God's call, even when it does not make sense to the world around us.

**Whether we journey with friends or feel all alone, God blesses us that we may be a blessing.**

As we gather to worship, may we remember that we are God's people, blessed by God to be a blessing to our world that is hurting and desperately in need of good news.

**God, form us today as a family of faith, that your blessings might flow out of us and into our world, drawing all people into your promise of abundant life and flourishing. Amen.**

\*HYMN      "Come, Thou Almighty King"      UMH # 61

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH      Apostles' Creed      UMH # 881

#### OPENING PRAYER      Unison

**Long before the change of name, before the first signs of new life showed the beginnings of promises fulfilled, You asked Abram to make his home among foreigners, and share the blessing that was to come. And now, O God, you ask the same faith of us: The faith to count ourselves among the least, to find our place alongside the poor and broken; The faith to trust in your mercy and your promises, and to share what we have received; The faith to wait expectantly for your reign of justice and equity, together with**

**those who most need its gifts. Teach us to be children of Abram, sharers of the blessings we enjoy: The blessing of plenty shared with those who have need, The blessing of healing shared with those who are sick and wounded, The blessing of joy shared with those who celebrate and of tears shared with those who grieve, The blessing of friendship shared with those who are excluded, and of solidarity with those who fight injustice, The blessing of peace shared with those in conflict, and of confrontation shared with those who bring harm; And in some small way, may our faith and our sharing, help to bring your promises into being in our world. Amen.**

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON      Unison

**Almighty God, You have set before us the path, but we have wandered on our own to try to find our way. Sometimes we are like toddlers, and we hear Your call and come back. Other times, we are children testing boundaries, ignoring Your call until fear finally makes us look back. And still other times, we are full of youthful rebellion, demanding to be cut loose and set free, not knowing how much we still need to seek Your wisdom and guidance. But most of all, too often we think we are adults and have figured it all out and know our own way, only to stumble and stray so far. Remind us, parental God, that we are always Your children, that we are never fully grown up in Your sight, that we always have much to learn. Help us to seek You every day, to acknowledge that we need Your wisdom and guidance, and help us to return to the path and walk with You. In the name of Christ, who is our companion on this journey of faith, we pray. Amen.**

#### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the good news: Our God is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Like a loving parent who never stops watching for a wandering child, God welcomes us when we turn back and seek God's way. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, restored, and invited to walk again in the path of life. The One who calls us also walks beside us, guiding our steps with mercy and grace. Therefore, receive this good news with joy: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

#### JOYS, CONCERNS AND PASTORAL PRAYER

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 12:1-4 (NRSV)

- 1 Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you.
- 2 I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.
- 3 I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."
- 4 So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

**MESSAGE** "The God Who Is Doing a New Thing" Rev. Dongkue Jee

**RESPOND TO THE WORD**

\* HYMN "Lead Me Lord" **UMH # 473**

**THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION**

INVITATION

COMMUNION **UMH # 13**

THE LORD'S PRAYER **UMH # 895**

**OFFERING**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" **UMH # 95**

\*PRAYER OF OFFERING Unison

**Calling God, you spoke to Abram and set him on a journey, not with full clarity, but with full trust. You promised blessing—and with it, purpose. We come now as your people, also journeying by faith, offering these gifts not for our greatness, but so that your promise might be fulfilled through us: to bless the world. Use these offerings to build relationships, to mend the broken, and to draw all families of the earth toward your heart. May our giving reflect our trust, and may our trust lead us to go where you send, step by step, stage by stage, into your future. Amen.**

**SENDING FORTH**

\*HYMN "Trust and Obey" **UMH # 467**

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

\* The offering plate is located at the entrance of the sanctuary. Please feel free to participate.

\* Fellowship follows the worship service. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship in the Parlor.



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