# Wellesley Village Church

Congregational † United Church of Christ



Welcome Sunday September 12, 2021 10:00am \*Please stand as you are able.

## **PRELUDE**

David Carrier

#### WELCOME AND PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Sarah Sarchet Butter



All: Almighty God, you are our Creator. You speak worlds into being, and welcome us into the ongoing work of creating. But often, we are not the collaborative co-conspirators you need us to be. We do not respond to your movements, but instead seek to bend situations to our will. We do not tend to the living, emergent things, but instead seek our old, well-worn ways.

One: Forgive us, o God, when we do not trust your Spirit to guide us.

All: Forgive us when we refuse to hear your voice, when we silence the voices that you speak through, when we ignore those whose voices have been pushed aside or dismissed.

One: Forgive us, o God, and call us forth into this new season, seeking new ways of being your people, new ways of connecting with one another, and new ways of making your love real in our world. Through Jesus Christ, Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

One: Beloved in Christ, hear this good news: the God who has always already been still speaking continues to proclaim love, forgiveness, and community, even when we struggle to hear it. In the old ways, and in countless new ways, God is moving in our midst, as shouts of joy and subtle whispers. Thanks be to God. Amen

# \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of Christ be with you, All: and also with you.

Please stand and share a greeting of peace with one another.

**ANTHEM** "Christ Hath a Garden" arr. Gerald Near

Sanctuary Choir

SCRIPTURE Luke 10: 38-42 pew Bible p. 845

**SERMON** "Knowing What is Needed"

#### \*RESPONSE HYMN

# "Blessed Jesus at Thy Word"



# PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Megan Berkowitz

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive those who trespass against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### CALL TO TIME OF OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Diane Seaborn

Offertory "The Heavens are Telling"

F. J. Haydn

# \*Doxology

Kevin McDonald, piano

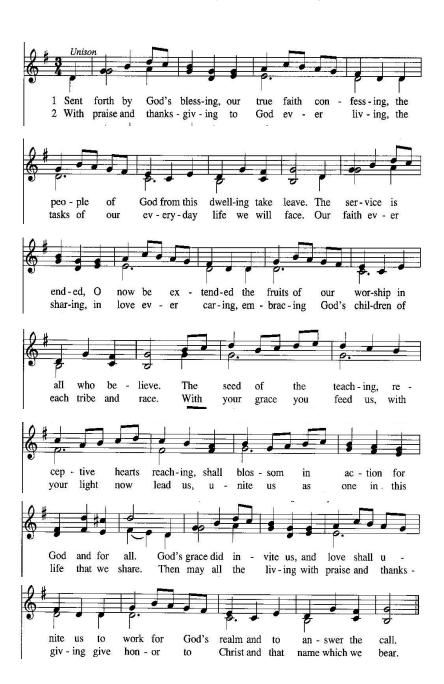
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God for all that love has done;

Creator, Christ, and Spirit One. Amen.

#### **OUR COMMON LIFE**



#### \*BENEDICTION AND SPECIAL WELCOME TO VISITORS

#### **POSTLUDE**

You are invited to remain seated until the conclusion of the postlude.

# \*Commissioning:

Pastor: Our worship has ended, **People: Let our service begin!** 

Pastor: GO IN PEACE.

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ALL ARE INVITED to share in food and fellowship in the Cloister Garden. PLEASE JOIN US!

We are glad you're here today! Please sign in on a fellowship sheet, located at the entrance of the Sanctuary and in Village Common Lobby to provide your contact information in case we need to be in touch. Together we answer God's call to care for one another and for our neighbor.

Visitors, welcome to Village Church!

If you are looking for a church home
or want a smaller group with whom to connect after worship,
please visit our **Welcome Table** outside. We would love to meet you!

If you are watching our live-streamed service, please join us for Coffee Hour following virtual worship at approximately 11 am.

<u>The link is found here</u> or from the <u>website home page</u> and the weekly enews <u>Village News</u>.

Thank you to the Community Deacons and Sharing Ministry for being our Welcomers and to Village Table for providing the delicious fare for our fellowship hour today.

# Wellesley Village Church

**CONNECTED** September 2021



# \*WORSHIP 9 - 10 - 5

#### **SEPTEMBER 12 WELCOME SUNDAY**

10am Sanctuary worship begins in-church or livestream Children's Church & Middle School Youth Group outdoors 11:15am Outdoor Fellowship

5pm Evening Worship Congregational Church of Weston begins

#### **SEPTEMBER 19**

9am Chapel Worship Begins

#### **SEPTEMBER 26**

David Carrier's Final Sunday & Appreciation Celebration

\*Worship Sundays at 9am, 10am & 5pm (masks required indoors)

# Cynthia Sibold ~ Moderator John Snyder ~ Vice Moderator Leif Hille ~ Immediate Past Moderator

## **Senior Pastor**

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