

FARMINGDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Bulletin for the 4th Sunday after Pentecost July 6, 2025

Service is In-Person or on Zoom

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WELCOME TO FARMINGDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

4th Sunday after Pentecost July 6, 2025



Rev. Claire Hojung Wu, Pastor David Majoros, D.M.A., Director of Music Karen Gierie Newman, Liturgist

GATHERING

"The Family Prayer Song" - Chapman

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PRELUDE "What a Mighty God We Serve" W&S #3016 (x3 times)

+ Bringing the light of Christ into the sanctuary

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The realm of God has come near.

Enter the time of worship with joyous expectation.

We will extol you, O God, for you have drawn us up.

You rescued us from the pit and restored us to life.

Sing praises to God, all faithful ones.

Give thanks to God's holy name.

We have known your favor, O God, in many ways.

You have healed us and turned our mourning to dancing.

Rejoice in the work you are given to do.

Give thanks that your names are known to God.

We will praise you, O God, and not be silent.

We will give thanks to you forever.

*OPENING HYMN

"How Great Thou Art"

UMH #77 (vv. 1, 2, 4)

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS WITH EACH OTHER

INVOCATION

Gracious God, our helper, we greet you this morning with joy and thanksgiving. We feel your welcome and anticipate your teaching. Show us this day what you would have us do. Whether it be great or small, we want to do what you command. Let our ears be attentive to your Word, and let our hearts be responsive to the opportunities you grant us to bear one another's burdens in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI UMH #71

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gentle God, angry God, gracious God, we know we have let you down in many ways. We have not lived up to your high intentions for us. You send us out as ambassadors of peace, and instead we pick fights with our sisters and brothers. You commission us to travel light, and we become bogged down with our possessions. You ask us to help ease the burdens others carry, but we add to them. You call us to joy in your inclusive realm, but instead we create our own ghettos. Patient God, will you forgive us again? Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Demons fall when Christians pray and witness together. Lives are healed when pretensions are cast aside. God extends mercy and peace to all who are sincerely penitent. Turn away from temptation, knowing that God will strengthen you in fulfilling the law of Christ.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

Hymnal #13

LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING (UNISON)

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 51:10-17

*GOSPEL READING Matthew 6:9-13 (KJV)

Leader: This is the Word of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

HYMN OF PREPARATION

"Thou Art Worthy"

FWS #2041

SERMON Pastor Claire Wu

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY SONG "Covenant Prayer"

W&S #3115

SHARON LENSKY, soprano

*DOXOLOGY
*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (UNISON)

UMH #95

With gratitude for your gracious favor, we dedicate these gifts. May they help others as we have been helped. May they reach out in a spirit of gentleness to restore to community those who are alienated. May they announce to the world that the realm of God is among us, waiting to be claimed. By these resources, may your name be praised here and in many other places. Amen.

*HYMN

"America the Beautiful"

UMH #696 (vv. 1, 2, 3)

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

"America the Beautiful"

UMH #696 (2nd part of the hymn)

Our worship has ended. Our service begins.

(*) Please stand as you are able.

OUR THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR MINISTRY:

UPCOMING LITURGISTS:

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:

<u>July 2025</u> <u>July 2025</u>

13th – Sherry Tuscano 13th – Smith/Muller

 20^{th} – Betty Gastelua 20^{th} – Sherry & Kathy V

27th – Sharon Lensky 27th – Rita & John

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME, VISITORS!

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today! If this is your first time with us, be sure to stop by the Visitor Center, located next to the Sanctuary, to pick up a welcome packet and a gift! If you would like to leave your contact information or subscribe to our newsletter, simply scan the QR code below or stop by the Visitor Center to sign the guest book.



UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Vision Bearers Meeting – Today, July 6th at 11 a.m. Finance Committee Meeting – Tuesday, July 8th at 7:30 p.m. Cooking Ministry – Wednesday, July 16th at 6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting – Monday, July 28th at 7 p.m.

<u>LONG ISLAND DUCKS FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY</u> — We will continue to volunteer to work the concession stands at the Long Island Ducks games. This year we will volunteer on Saturdays and Sundays. Contact Garry Wurth for more information at <u>garrywurth@gmail.com</u> or 516-524-2530.

CONCERNS & COMMITMENTS:

Whenever the gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed, the Spirit of God is at work. If you have been touched by God and desire to make a commitment to Christ and to His Church or you would like to have the pastor pray with/for you, please *come to the Altar after worship*, the pastor will meet with you for prayer.

PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS

We share prayer requests as part of our regular service. Please raise your hand for the microphone to share your prayer concerns and joys with the congregation. If you have private prayer requests, please write your prayer request upon your arrival at the sanctuary and then pass it to the offering basket during the offertory time. Thank you!

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