

FIRST CHURCH WEST HARTFORD

JUNE 30, 2024

PRELUDE *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* Paul Karvonen
Air C. W. von Gluck

WELCOME

†CALL TO WORSHIP Abigail Mitchell

One: Arise, people of faith, that Christ may give us life.

All: This is the day of meeting in Christ's name.

One: We reach out for health and wholeness.

All: We embrace one another with care and concern.

One: Like those who watch eagerly for the morning,

All: we wait in joyous anticipation of God's Word.

One: We will sing praises to God's holy name.

All: We will tell of God's faithfulness day by day.

†HYMN 503 [*O Christ, the Healer*](#) ROCKINGHAM

†OPENING PRAYER

O God, we bring our emotional and spiritual struggles to this hour of worship. Hear us. Help us. Bless us. As we stretch out our hands to touch the hem of your robe, make us whole. May your healing power move in and through our hearts and souls. Enable us to place our faith in your mighty Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

ANTHEM *My Own Two Hands* Johnson/Harper
Nicole Dickinson and Ashley Turner

INTRODUCTION TO SCRIPTURE

SCRIPTURE READING [Mark 5:21-43](#) (NT p. 48)

†RESPONSE AFTER SCRIPTURE 263 WOLFE

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;

I can feel his mighty power and his grace.

I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face;

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

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SERMON *Dealing with Dis-ease and Disaster* Rev. Fredd

HYMN 501 [There Is a Balm in Gilead](#) BALM IN GILEAD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY *By My Side* Stephen Swartz
Nicole Dickinson and Ashley Turner

†DOXOLOGY
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Merciful God, day by day, dis-ease and difficulties touch the lives of your children in every corner of the world. Multiply the gifts we bring before you, that they might receive healing from your hands. And if our fortunes are one day reversed, may we receive with grace and gratitude what we now offer. In Jesus's name. Amen.

†HYMN 86 [Great Is Thy Faithfulness](#) FAITHFULNESS

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Hornpipe, from the Water Music* G. F. Handel



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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

June 30, 2024
9 o'clock

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† *Please stand in body or spirit as you are able.*