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July 13, 2025 10:00 "Everything Changes"

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Gathering

Prelude "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" Lee Dengler

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Welcome Rev. Patricia Abell

Lighting the Prayer Candle

One: The light shines in the darkness.

All: We stand in this light, unshaken, knowing that the darkness has never overcome the

light.

One: Let us recommit ourselves to walking in Jesus' ways of justice.

All: Empower us, Jesus, to boldly use the freedom and power given to us to resist evil,

injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves.

Gathering Song

"Change My Heart, O God"

TFWS 2152

Change my heart, O God, Make it ever true; Change my heart, O God, May I be like you. You are the Potter, I am the clay; Mold me and make me, This is what I pray. Change my heart, O God, Make it ever true; Change my heart O God, may I be like you.

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Call to Worship Barbara Cook

ONE: Love the Lord your God,

ALL: with all your heart, and all your soul, and all your strength, and all your mind! Love your neighbor as yourself,

with all your heart, and all your soul, and all your strength, and all your mind! Do this and you will live!

Let us worship God!

Opening Prayer Barbara Cook

Breaking-Open God,
you call us to let the seeds of your love
be planted anew in us again and again.
Open us to letting go of how we think things are,
and allow us release as we are broken open into new life.
Calm our fears, and animate our spirits
for this time of discovery.
Amen.

*Opening Hymn

"Hymn of Promise"

UMH 707

1. In the bulb there is a flower In the seed an apple tree In cocoons a hidden promise Butterflies will soon be free In the cold and snow of winter There's a spring that waits to be Unrevealed until its season Something God alone can see

- 2. There's a song in every silence Seeking word and melody There's a dawn in every darkness Bringing hope to you and me From the past will come the future What it holds a mystery Unrevealed until its season Something God alone can see
- 3. In our end is our beginning
 In our time infinity
 In our doubt there is believing
 In our life eternity
 In our death a resurrection
 At the last a victory
 Unrevealed until its season
 Something God alone can see

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Passing of the Peace

Barbara Cook

Proclaiming

Scripture

John 12: 20-26 (The Message)

Barbara Cook

Word in Music

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

TFWS 2153

- I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
 I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 3. I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
 I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

- 2. I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 4. I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

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Message "Everything Changes"

Rev. Patricia Abell

Response

Prayer for God's People, Church, & World

Barbara Cook

UMH 94

*Doxology

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"
Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God All creatures here below
Alleluia alleluia
Praise God the source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit
Alleluia alleluia

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Offering Prayer

Going Forth

*Closing Hymn

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

TFWS 2129

- I have decided to follow Jesus
 I have decided to follow Jesus
 I have decided to follow Jesus
 No turning back no turning back
- 2. The world behind me the cross before me The world behind me the cross behind me The world behind me the cross behind me No turning back no turning back
- Though none go with me still I will follow Though none go with me still I will follow Though none go with me still I will follow No turning back no turning back

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Benediction

Rev. Patricia Abell

Postlude

"I'm Bound for the Promised Land" Lee Dengler

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Question for Reflection

What gift of yours, of your family, and of your community has the Holy Spirit especially nurtured in recent times? How might that gift be expressed and used in a new way in the coming year?

Household Prayer: Morning

Gracious God, we thank you for the peace of good sleep and for keeping us safe throughout the night. Let this new day be a time of praise and joy as we go out to meet you in our sisters and brothers.

We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen

Household Prayer: Evening

Merciful Lord, as night comes to this house, we thank you for the challenges and accomplishments of this day.

Give our hearts and minds the comfort now to rest in your care,

trusting that whatever tomorrow brings, your hand will be ready to catch us if we fall. Amen.

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