

# *Worship Service*

## *John Wesley United Methodist Church*

### *July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021*

PRELUDE *"My Jesus, I Love Thee", "Channels Only", "May Jesus Christ Be Praised"*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rebecca: A gift of a new day,

**Community: Unlived, untried, ready to be opened.**

Rebecca: A new day with surprising miracles;

**Community: With love to be given,**

Rebecca: Kindness to be shared

**Community: And peace to be enjoyed.**

Rebecca: A gift of a new day,

**Community: God's gift to us.**

Rebecca: Let us receive it with joy

**All: And live it in expectation.**

HYMN

***"Morning Has Broken"***

#145

Morning has broken like the first morning; blackbird has spoken like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven, like the first dew fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning born of the one light Eden saw play! Praise with elation, praise every morning, God's recreation of the new day!

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in God**

**whose love is the source of all life**

**whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth,**

**whose love was crucified by the evil that waits to enslave us all**

**and whose love, defeating even death, is our glorious promise of freedom.**

**Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt,**

**in God we trust;**

**and in the name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves**

**to the service of others,**

**to seek justice**

**to live in peace,**

**to care for the earth**

**to live in the freedom of forgiveness and the power of the spirit of love,**

**and in the company of the faithful**

**so that we might be the Church for the glory of God.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:1-6

MEDITATION ***"Blessed are Those Who Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness"***

PRAYER

THE 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

HYMN

**“Seek Ye First”**

#405

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.  
Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeded from the mouth of God.  
Allelu, alleluia!

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**“Con Spirito”**

Thomas Arne

Hymn Credits: “Morning Has Broken”, Words: E. Farjeon, Music: Trad. Gaelic Melody ~ “Seek Ye First”, Words & Music: K. Lafferty  
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***Love God.....***

***Love others.....***

***Serve the world.***

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